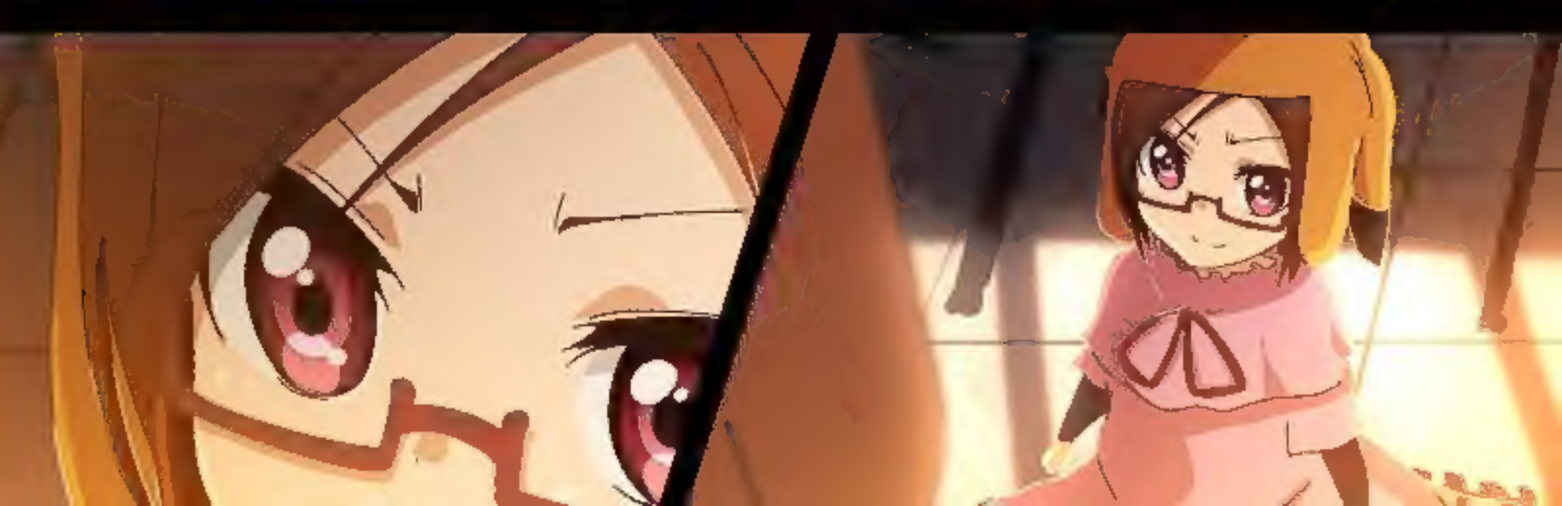
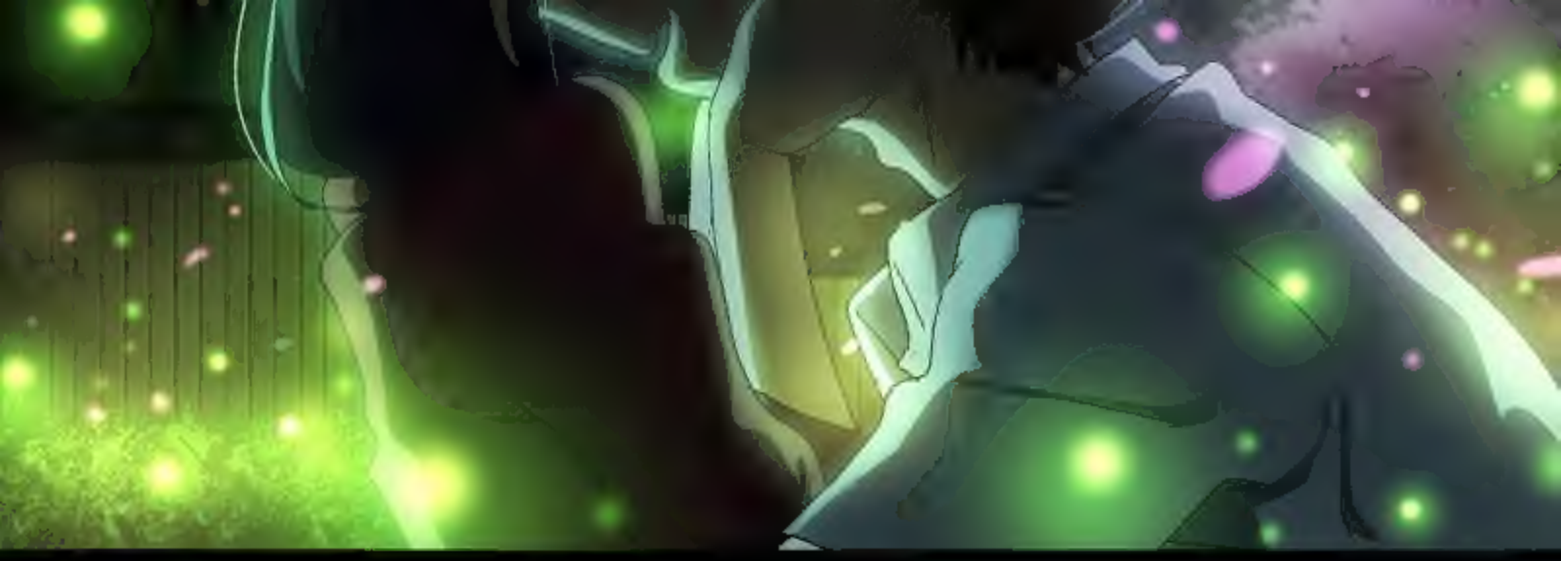
ECSTASY: hearts

SILENTMARU

PREVIOUSLY ON
ECSTASY HEARTS...



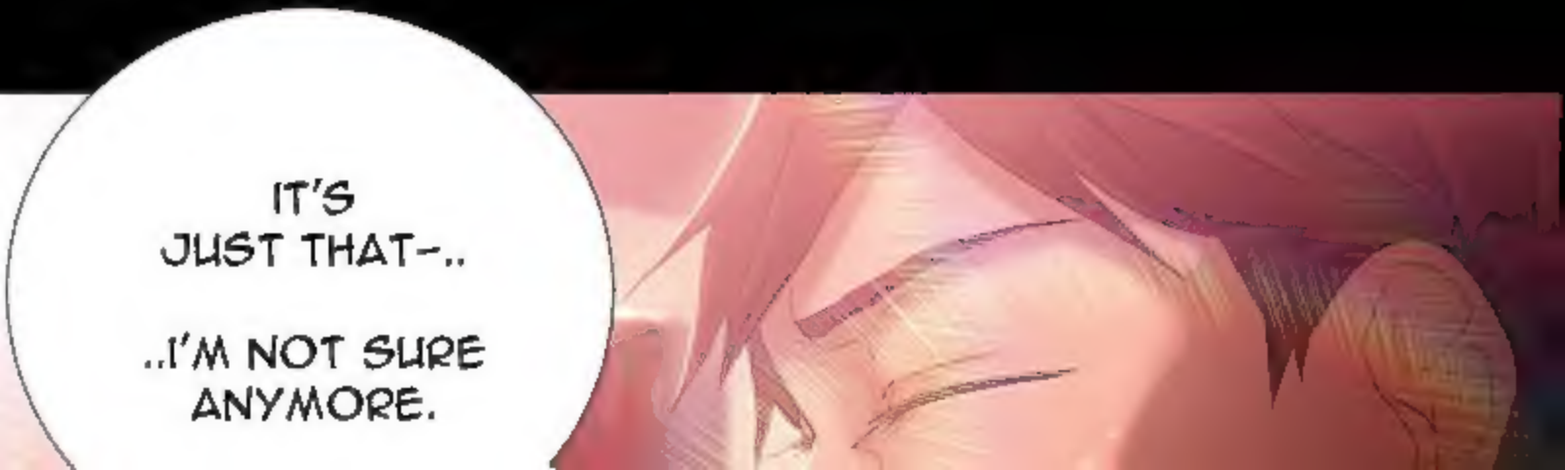


8 years later..

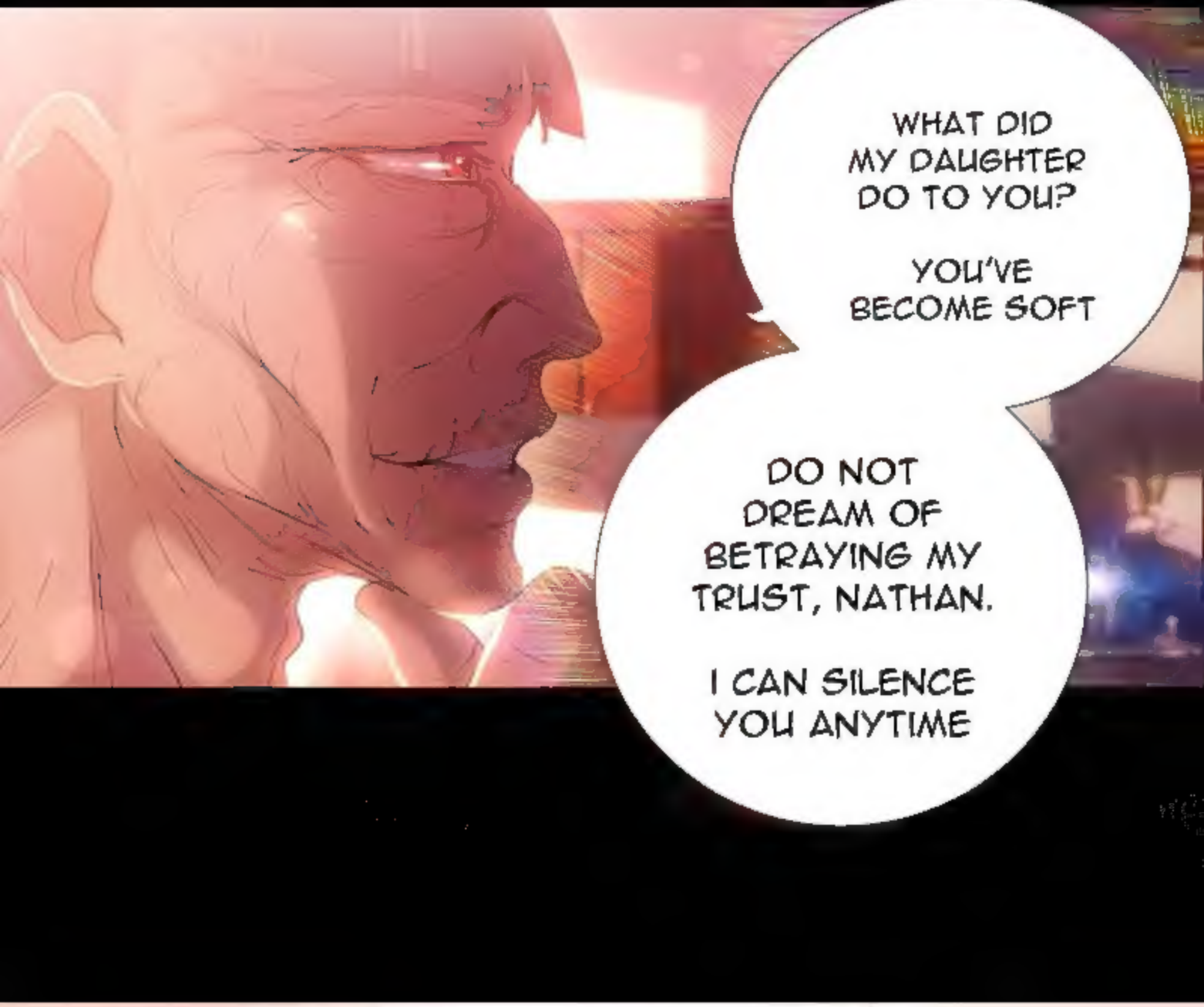
HONEY, BREAKFAST IS READY
MOM! HAVE YOU SEEN MY RACKET?

I JUST SAW QUINN RUNNING WITH A RACKET, HONEY
QUINN, PLEASE GIVE

THAT TO YOUR SISTER.

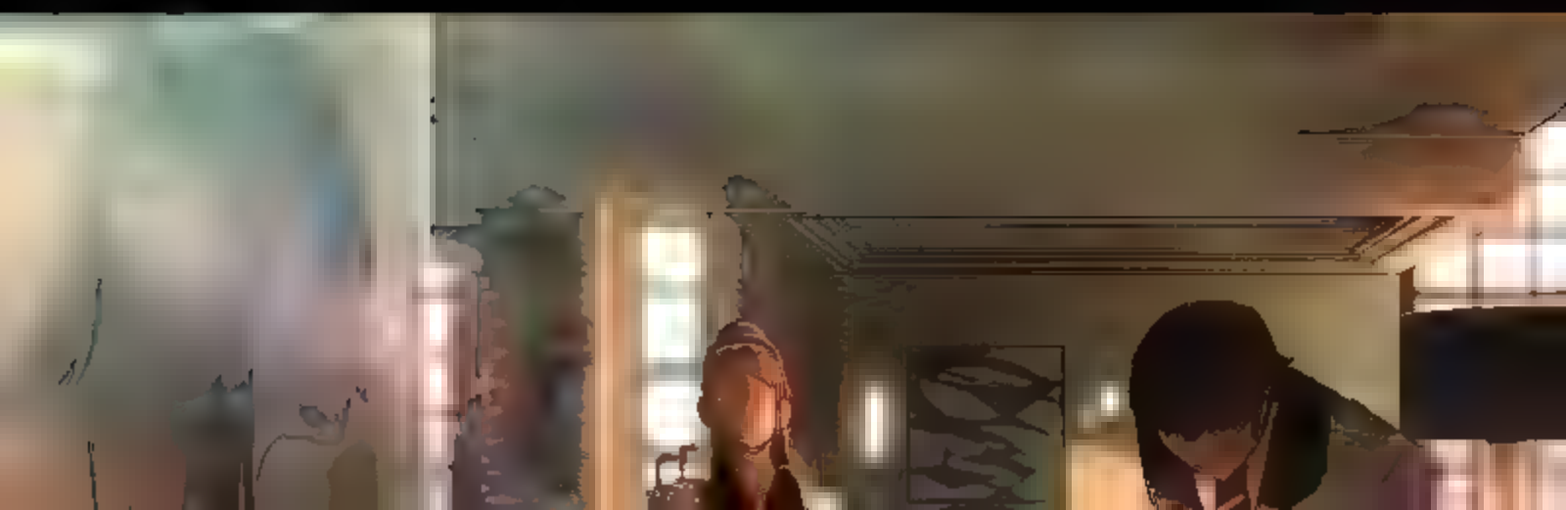


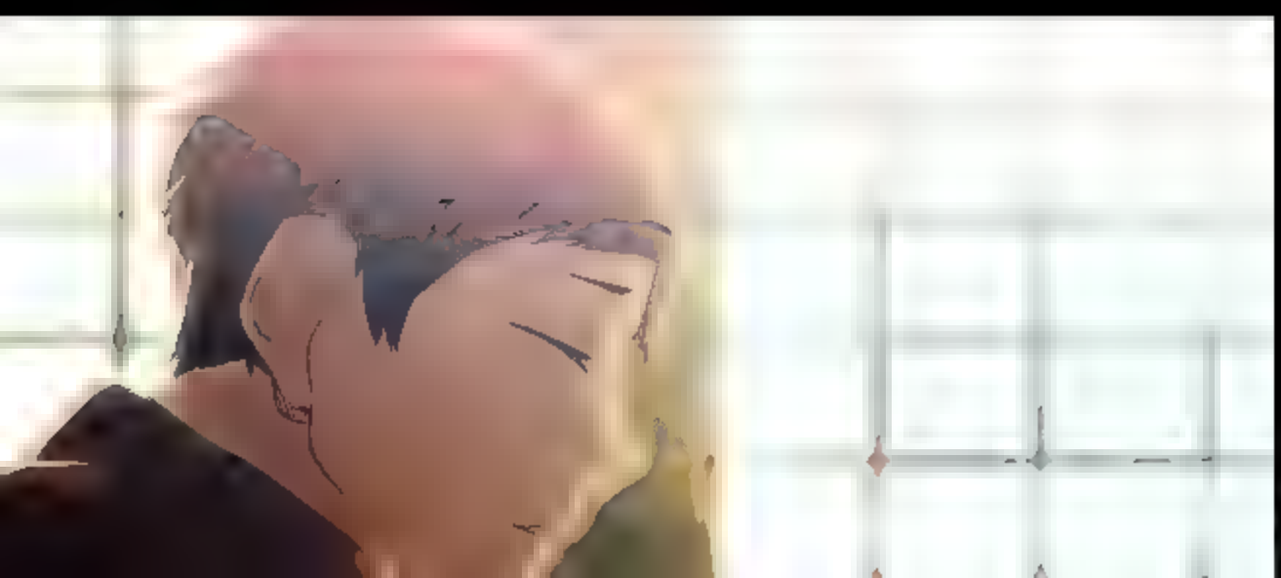
I'VE HAD ENOUGH KEEPING SECRETS.
I KNOW SHE IS NOT STABLE, BUT WE DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO TAKE HIS MOTHER FROM HIM.


WHAT DID MY DAUGHTER DO TO YOU?
YOU'VE BECOME SOFT
DO NOT DREAM OF BETRAYING MY TRUST, NATHAN.
I CAN SILENCE YOU ANYTIME

MY APOLOGIES FOR THE WAIT.
UNCLE AKI, IF YOU MAY EXCUSE US,
WE NEED TO SPEAK IN PRIVATE..

MR. GREENE,
SHALL WE?





VIP
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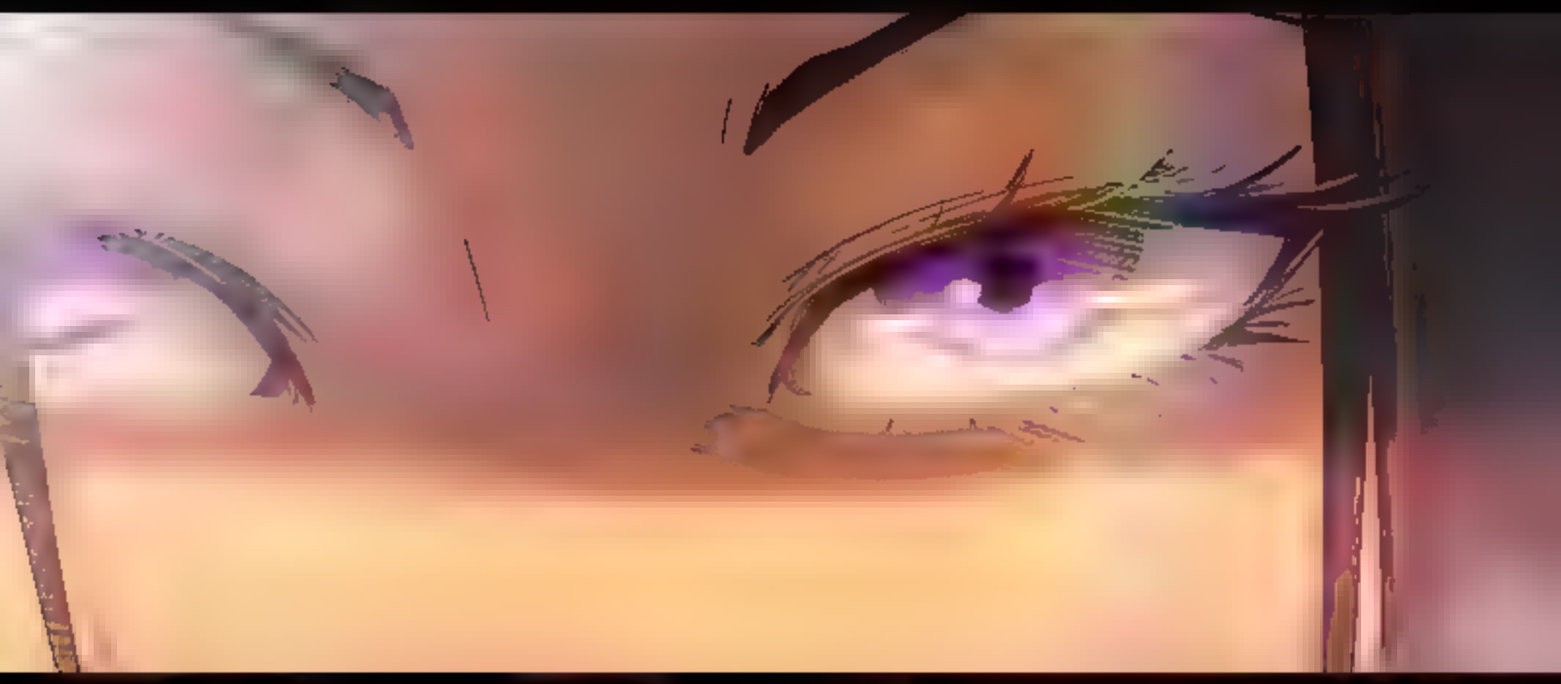
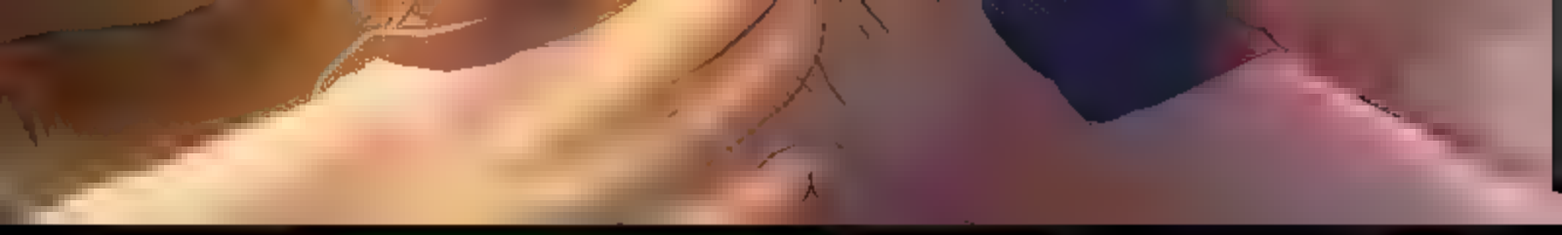
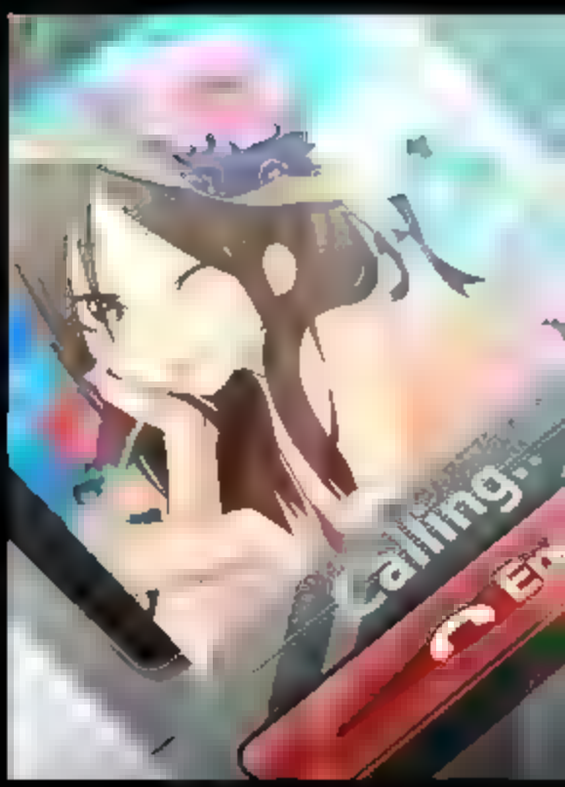




SORRY.

DID I MAKE YOU WAIT?

COME WITH ME.
I WANT YOU TO MEET MY WIFE AND KIDS.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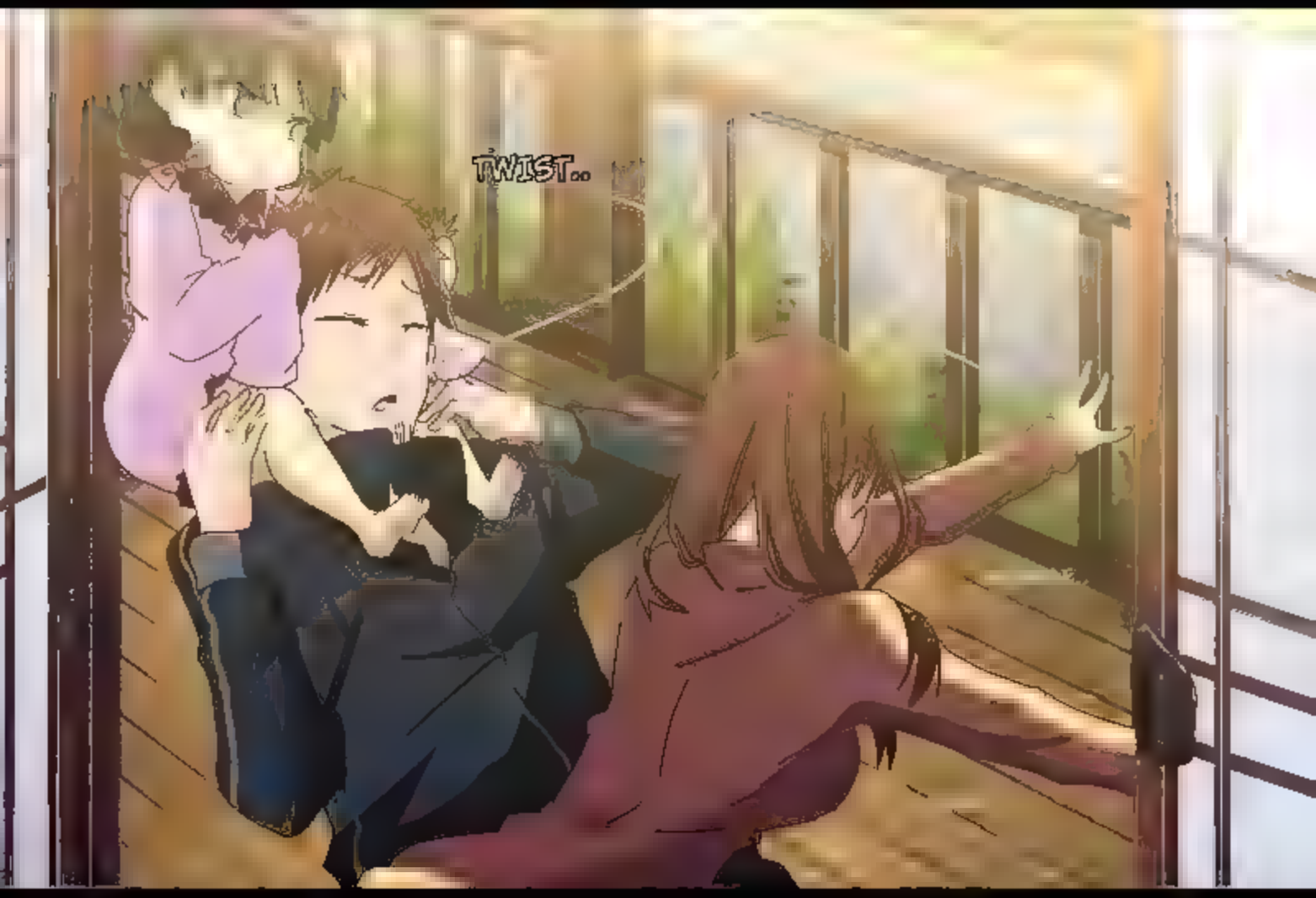
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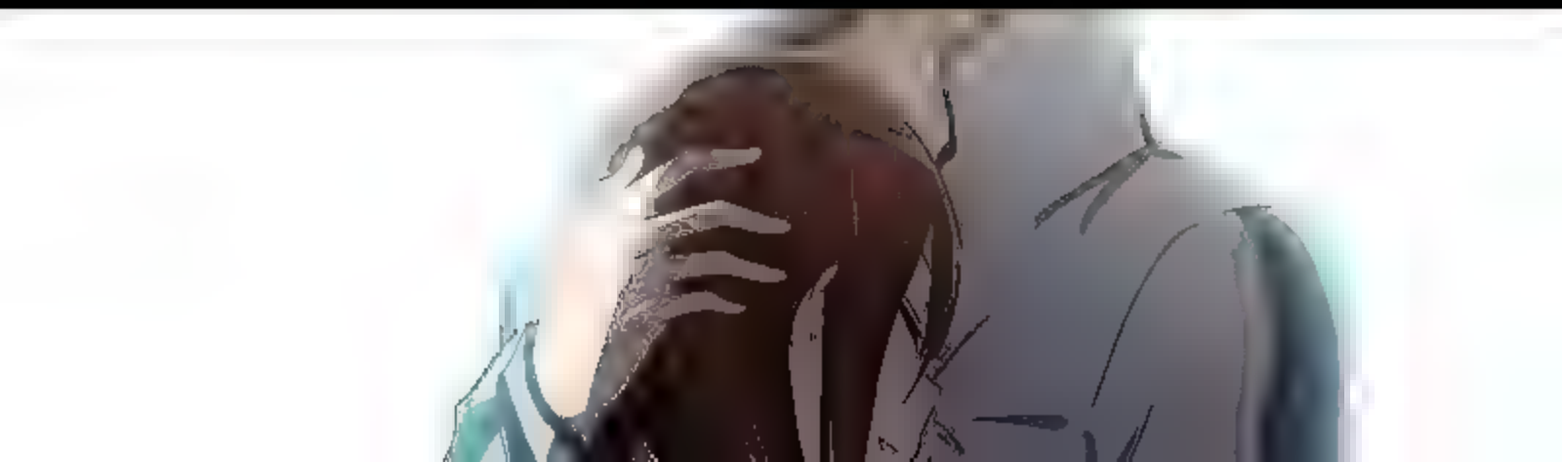
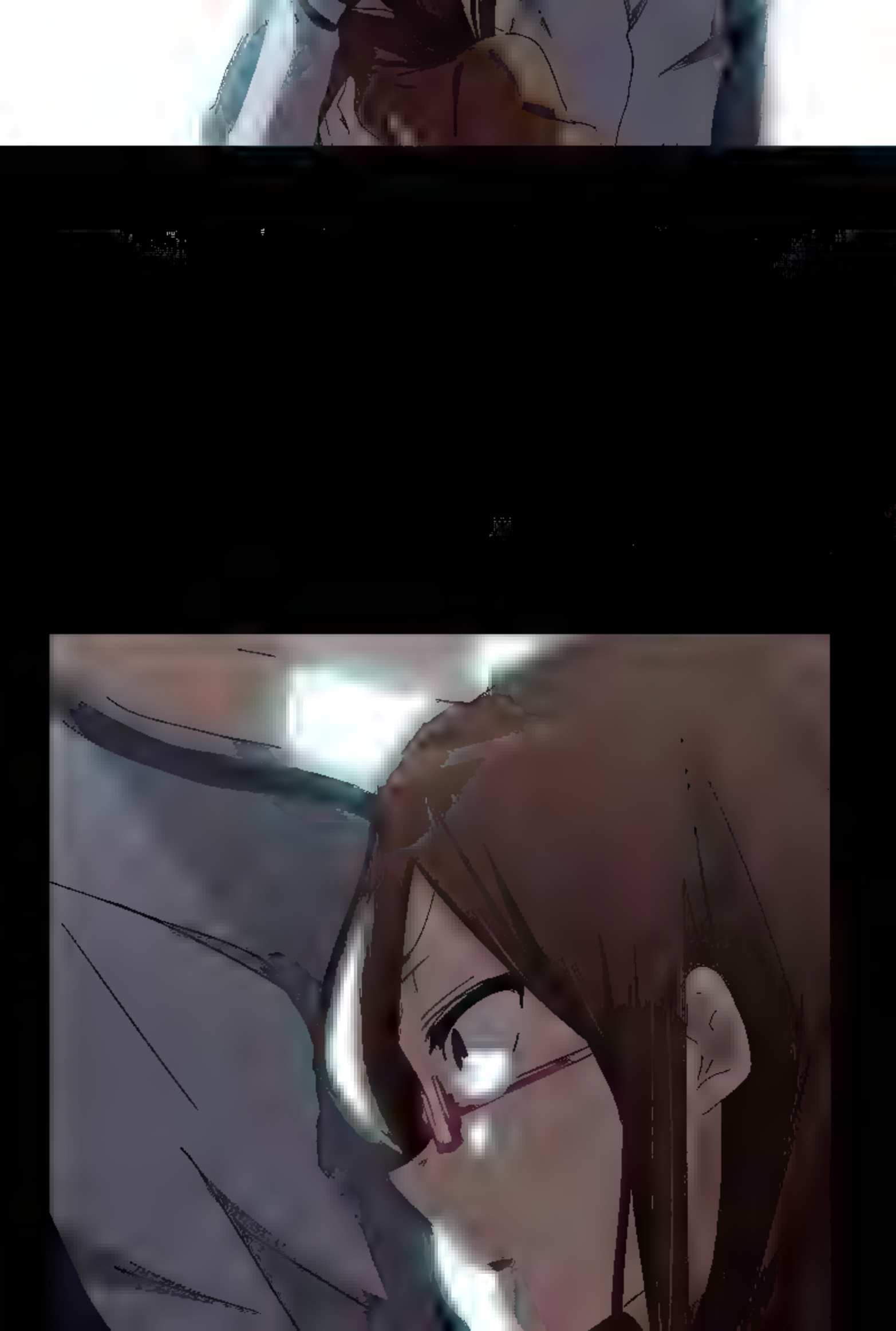
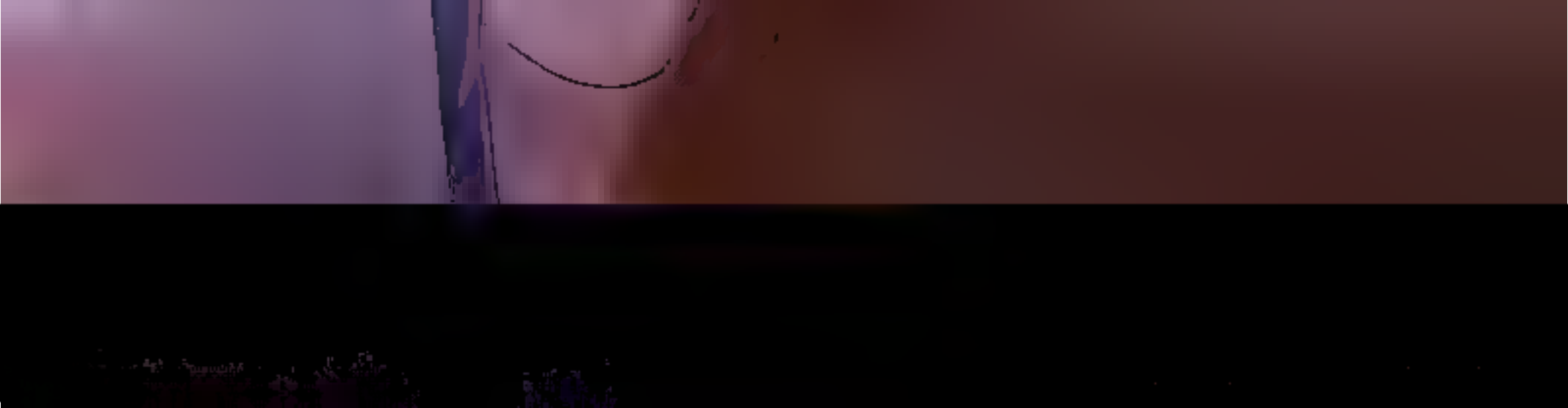
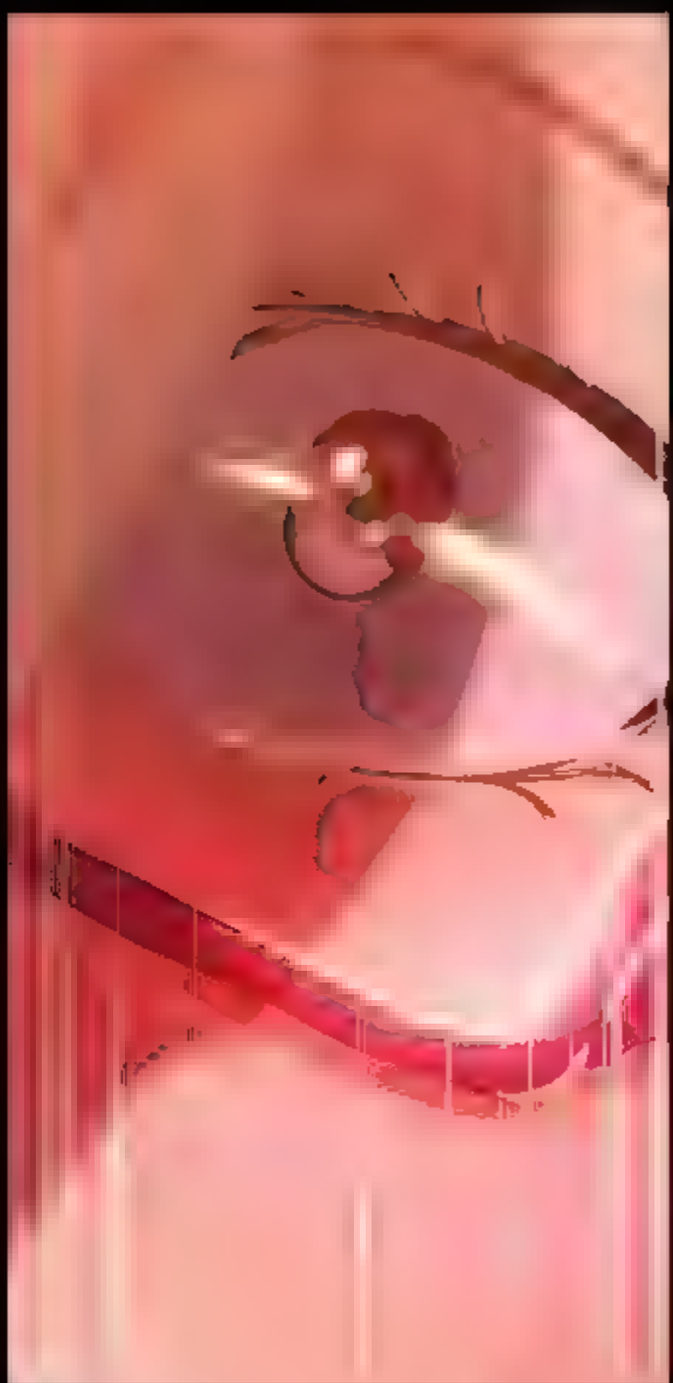
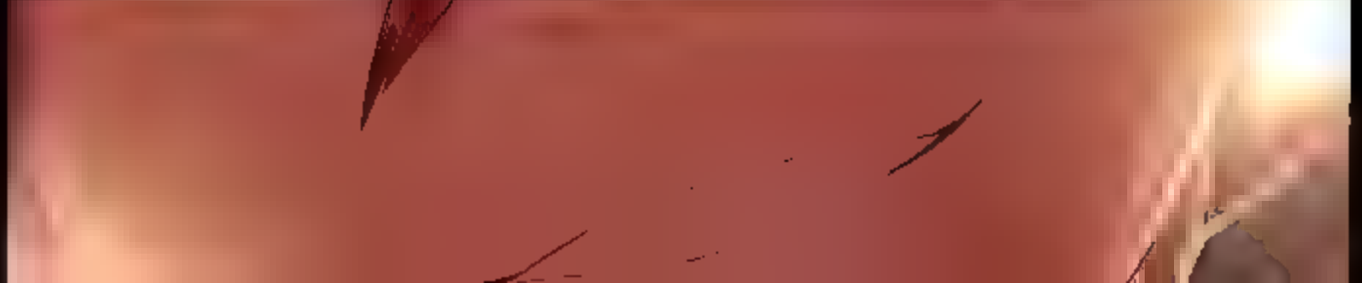
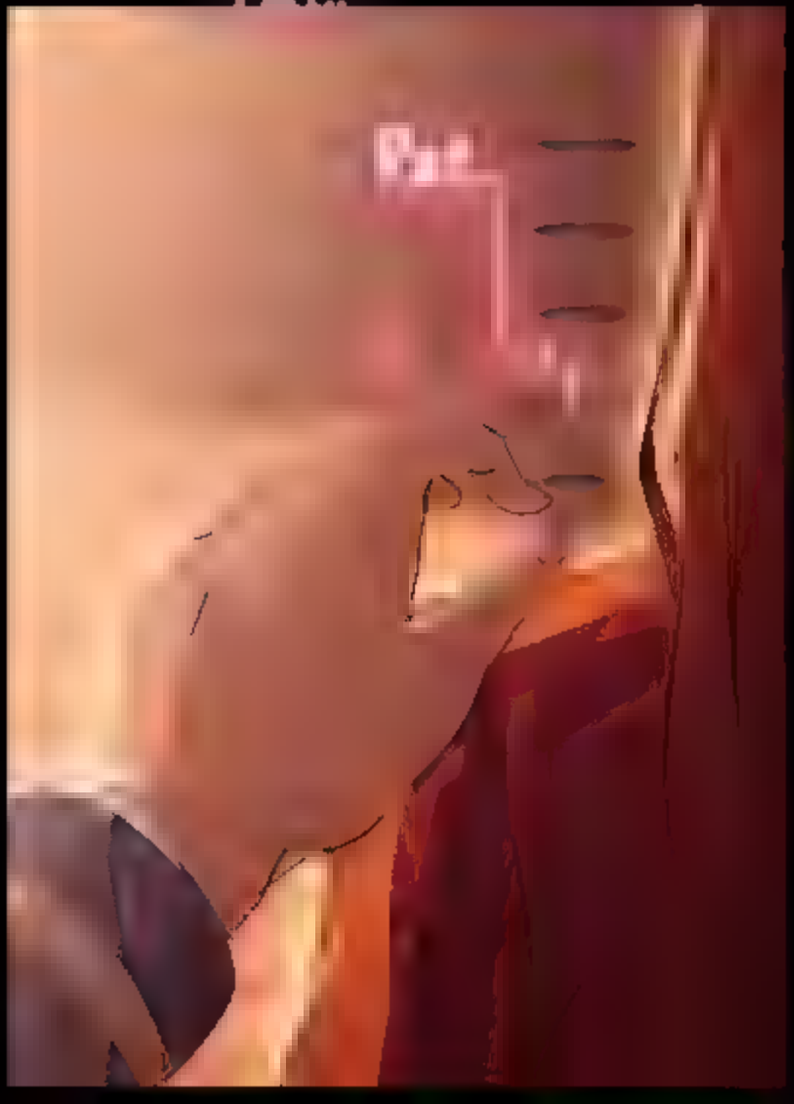


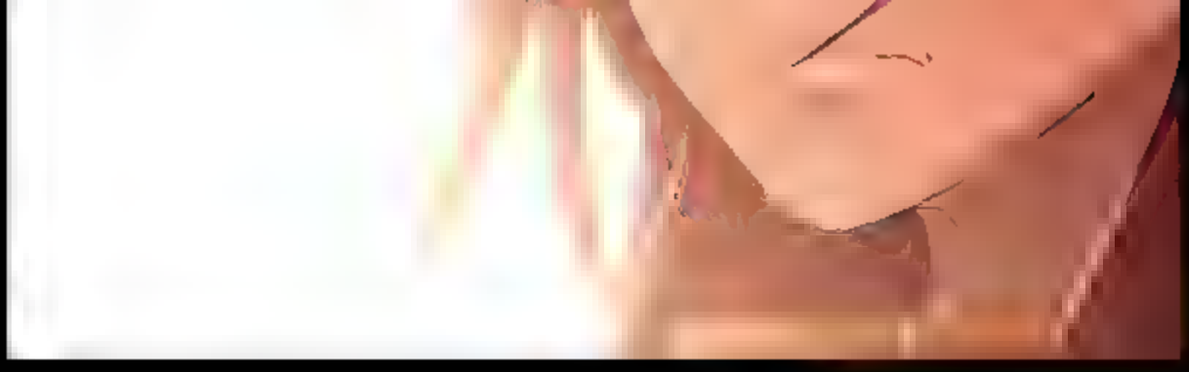


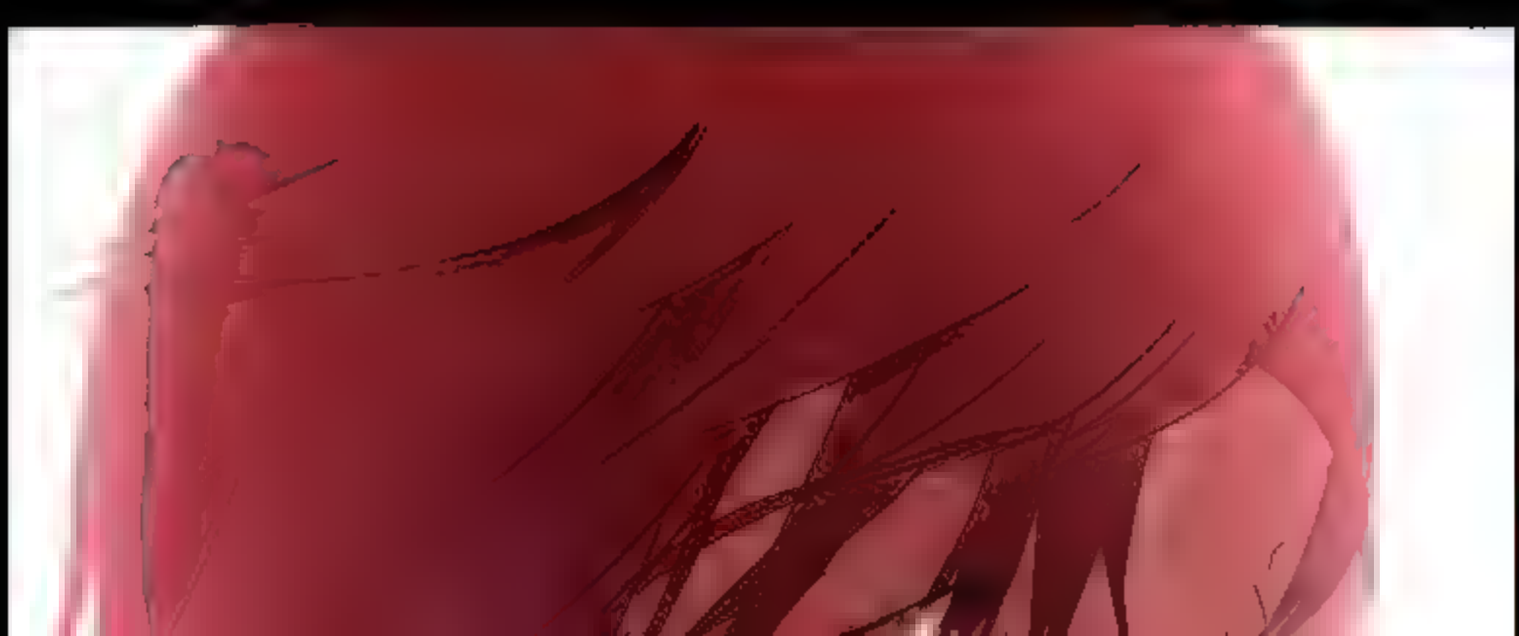


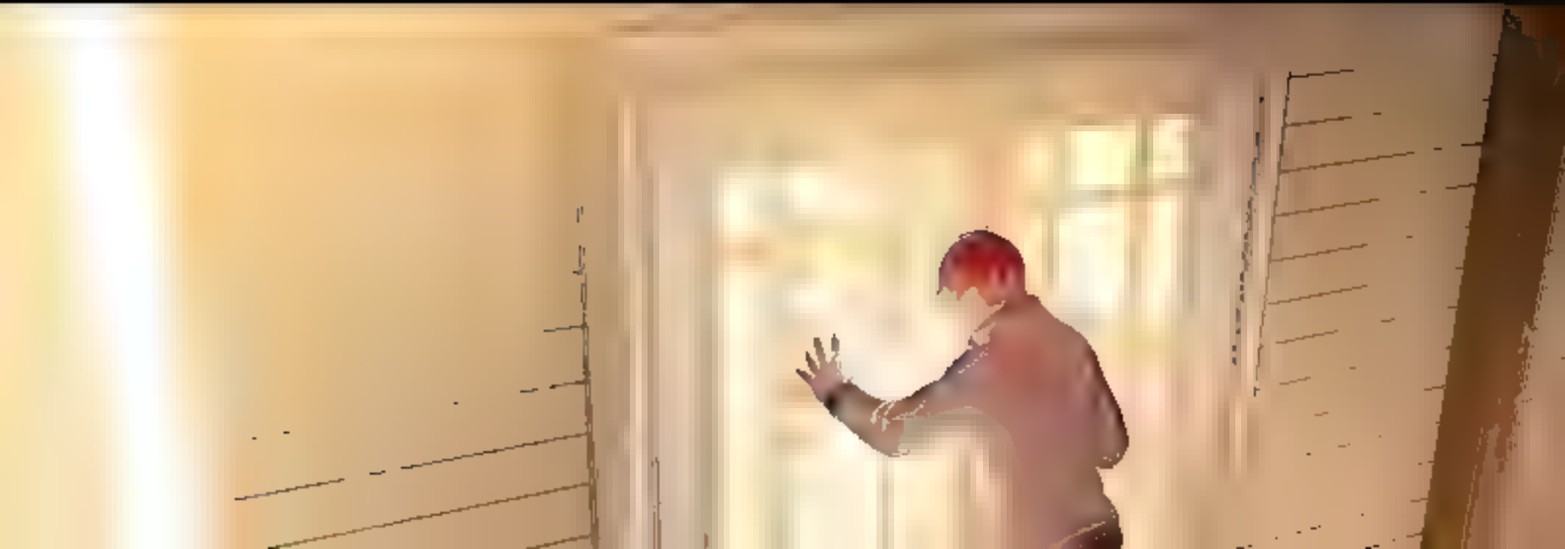


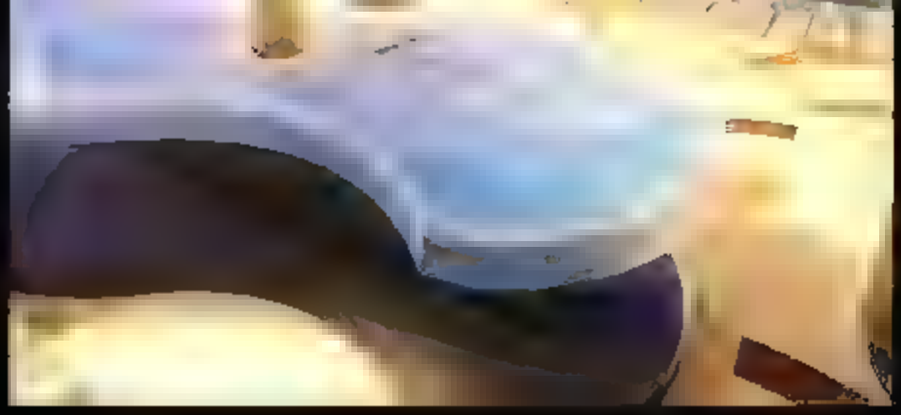


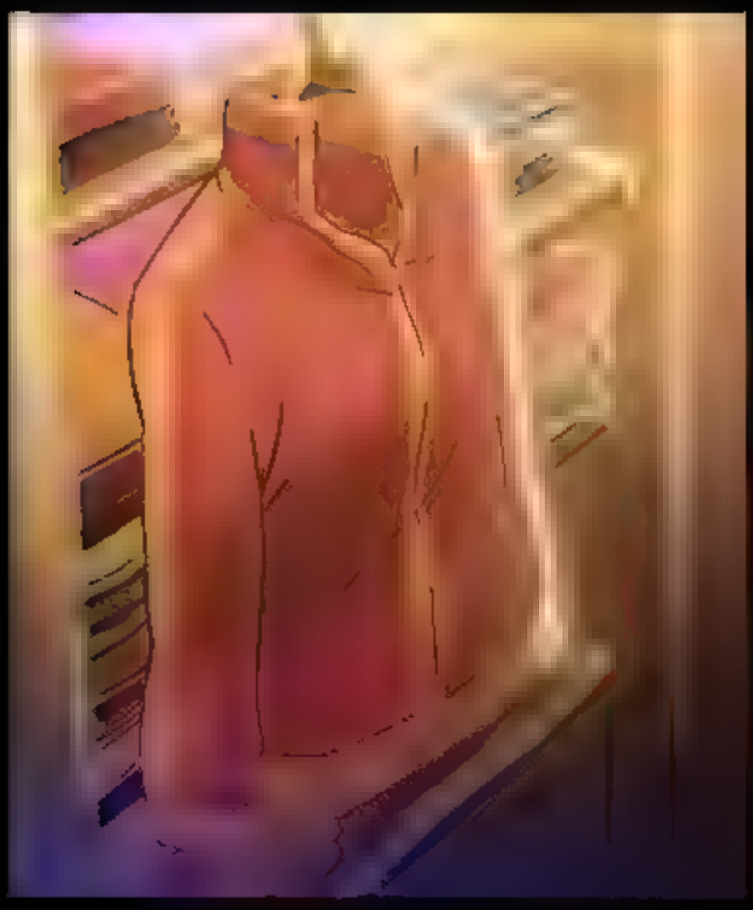


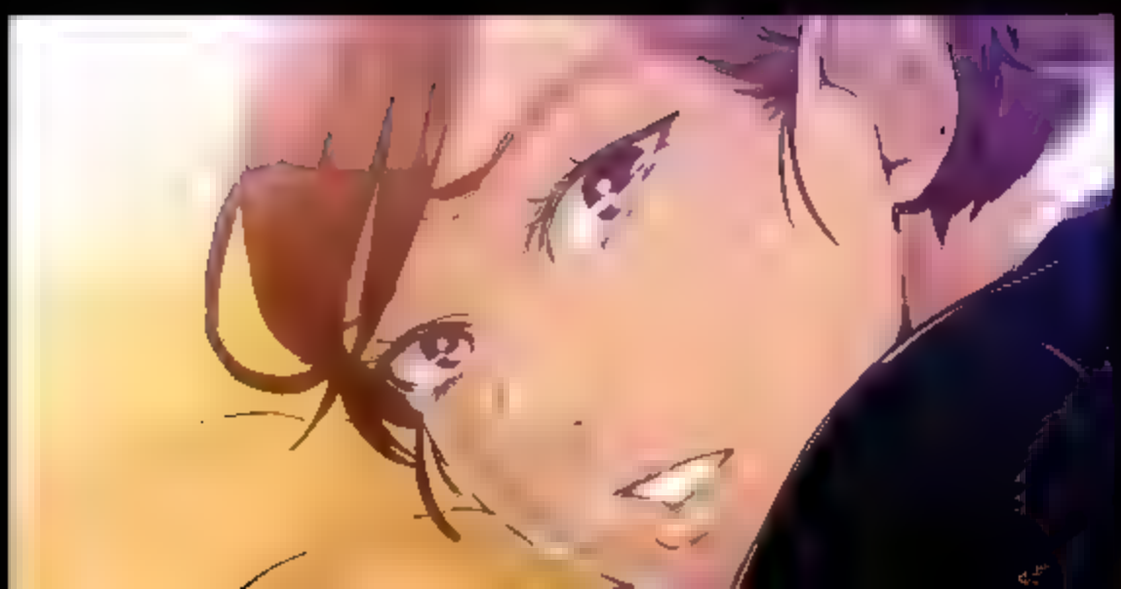


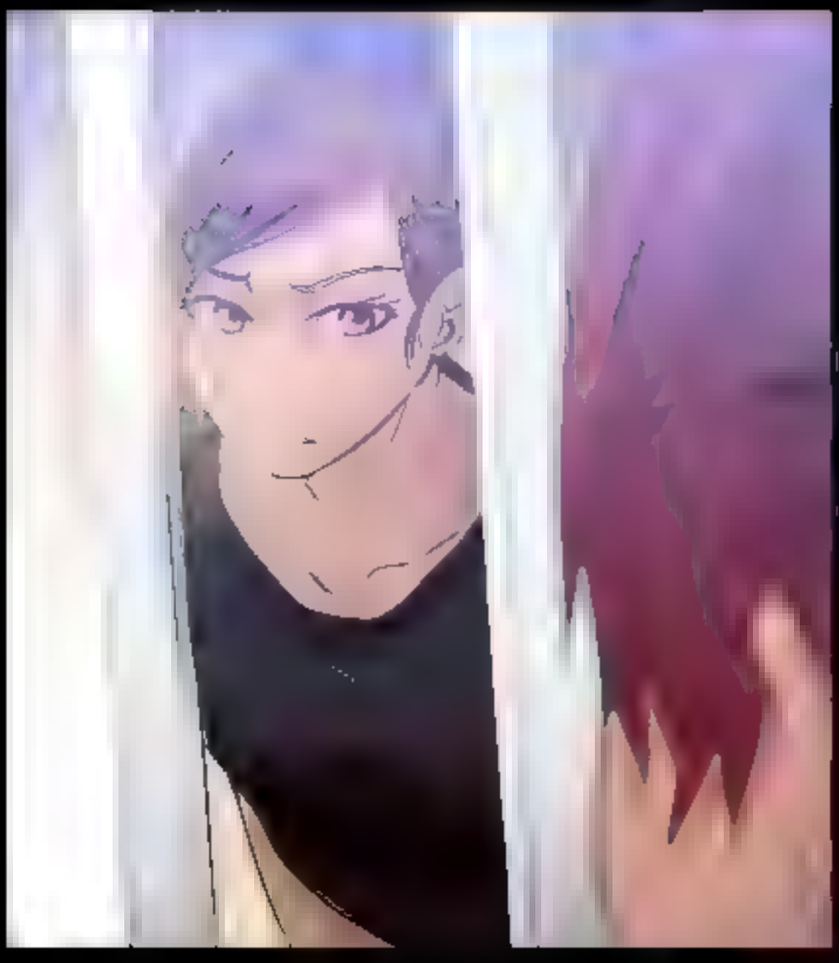


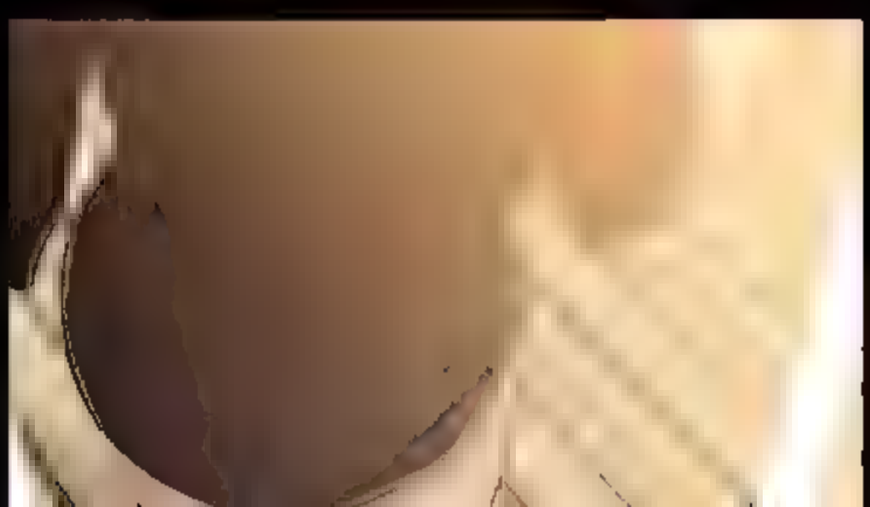


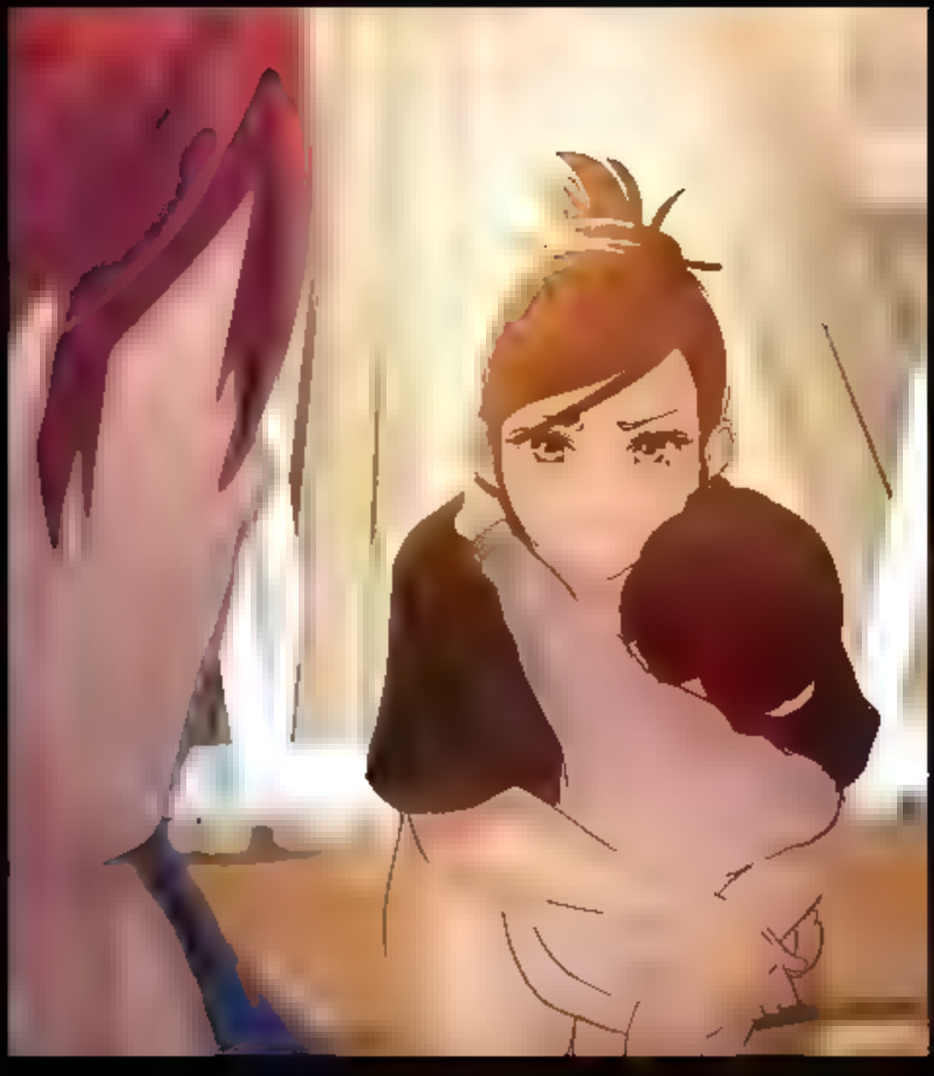


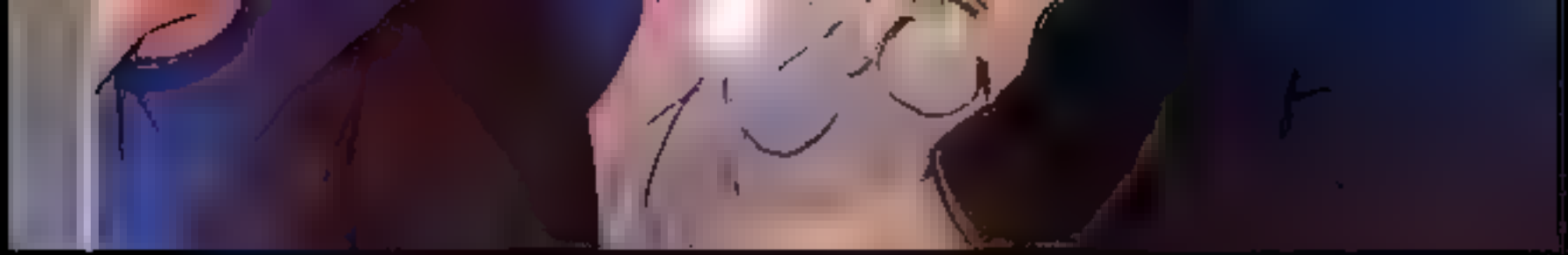


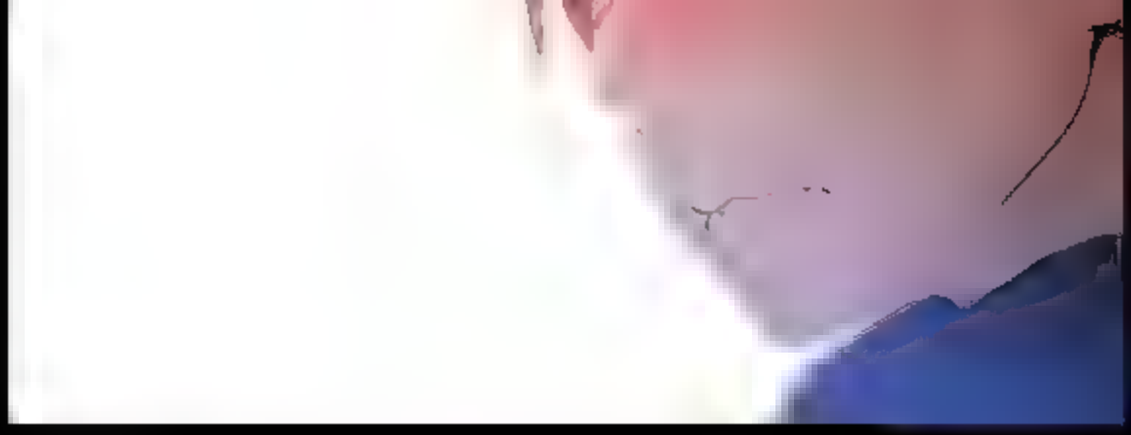


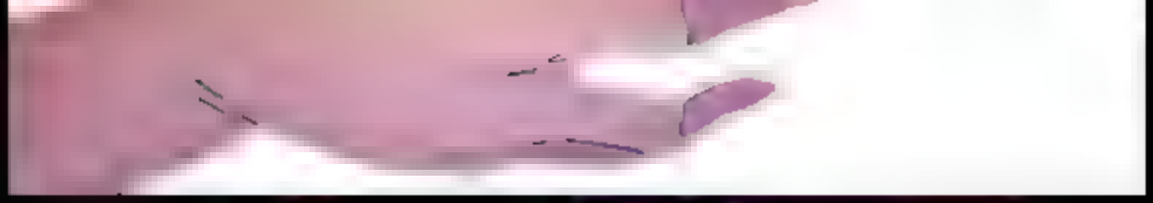


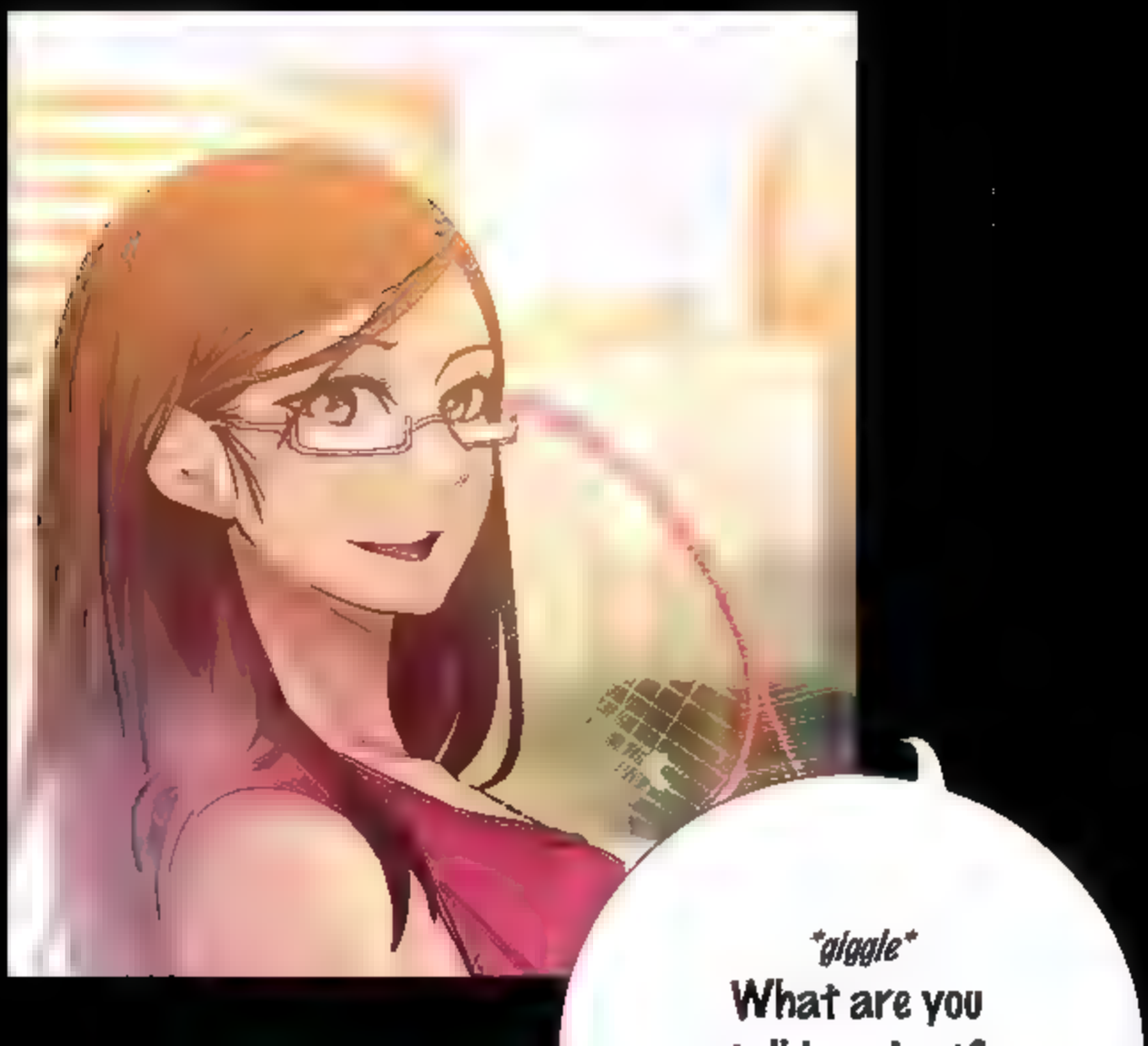




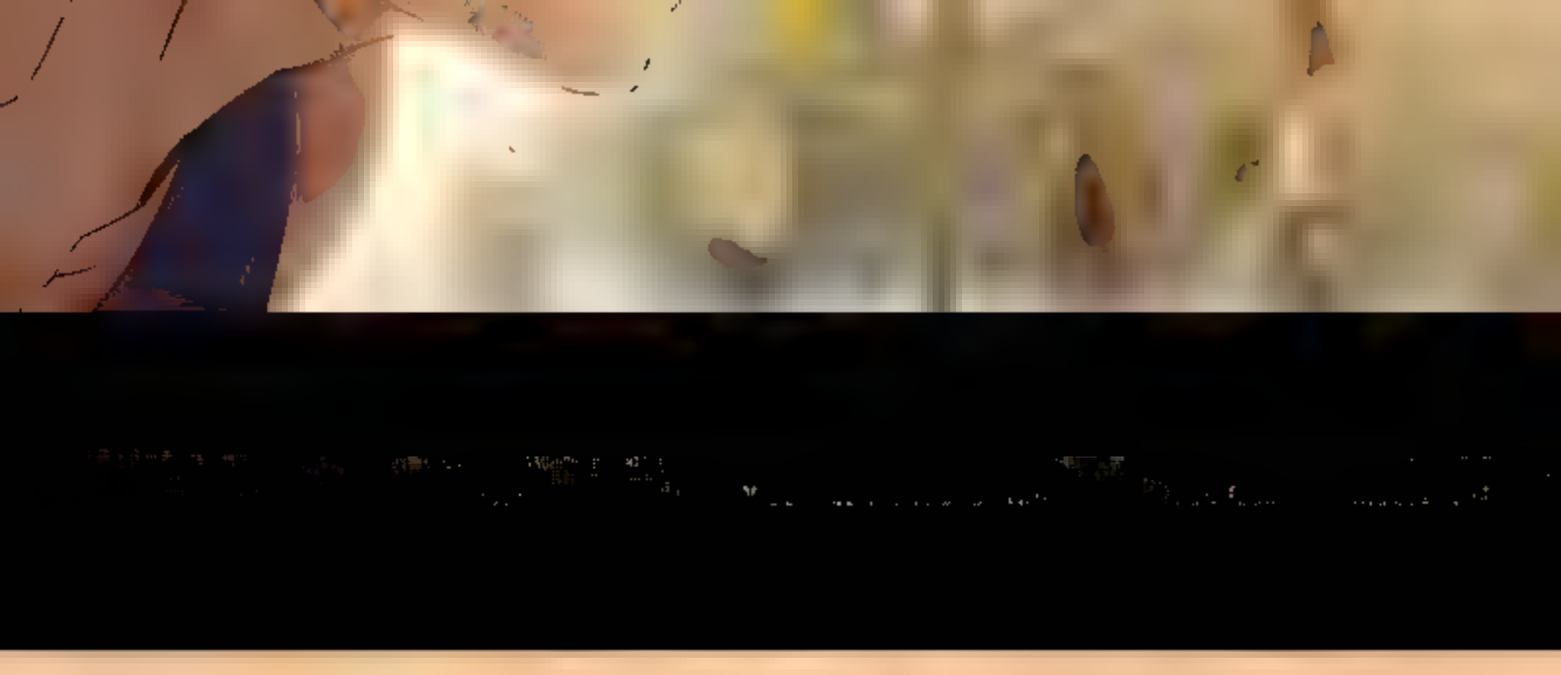


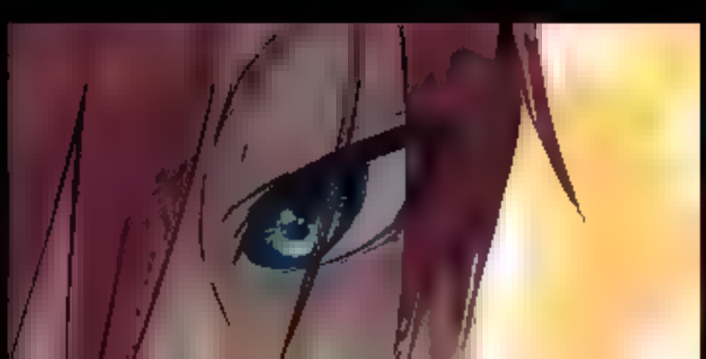


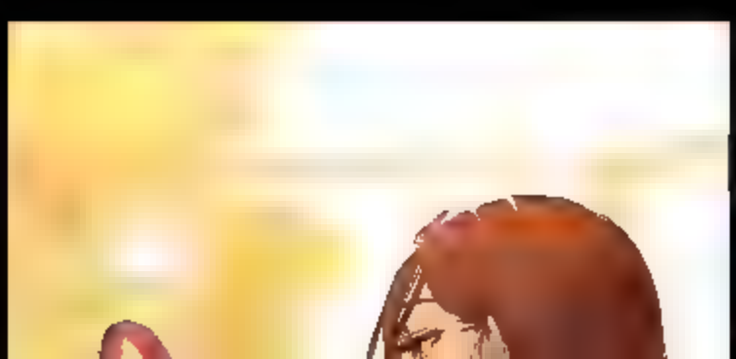


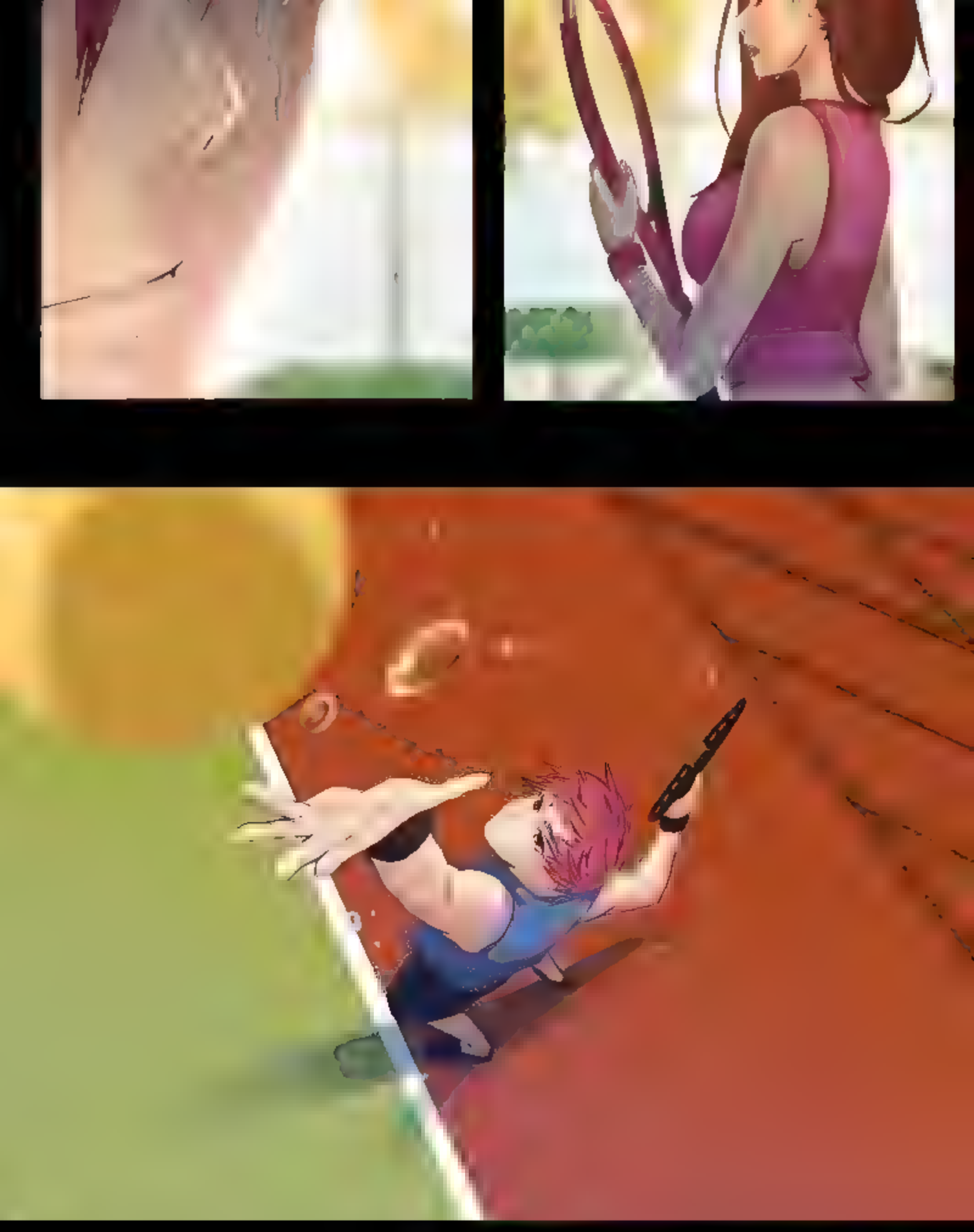

giggle
What are you

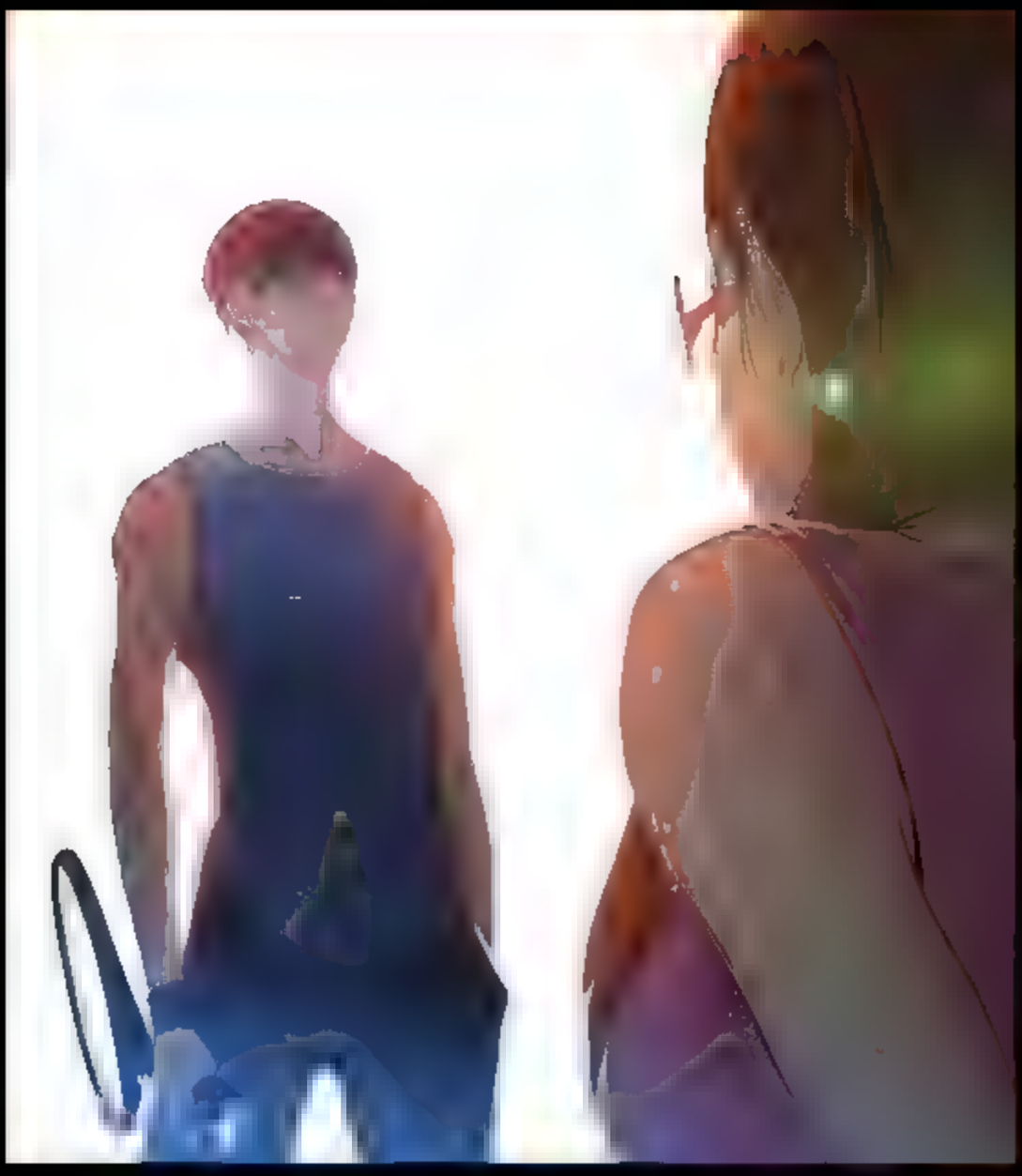
falking about?
This is my final form,
Axel.

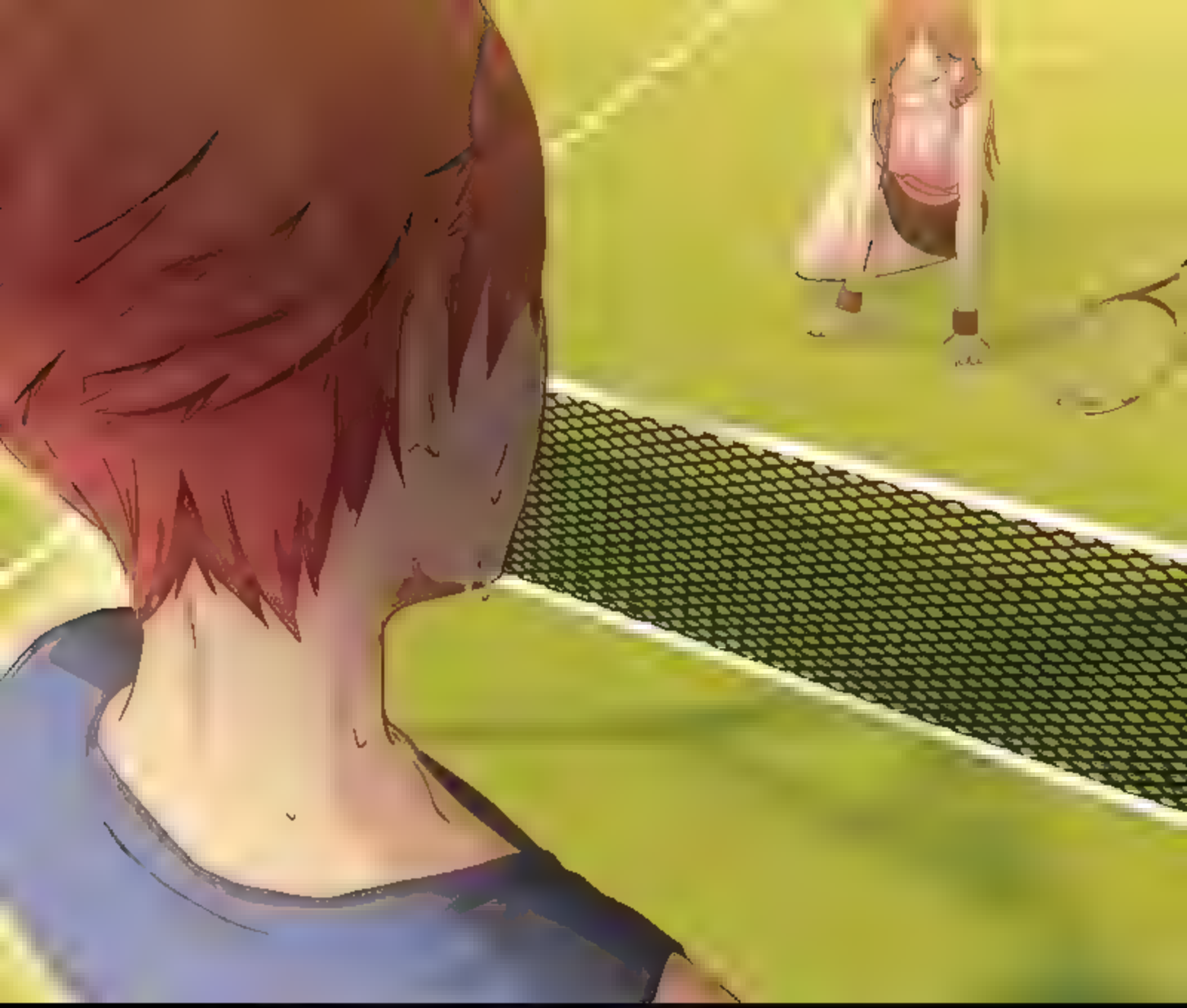




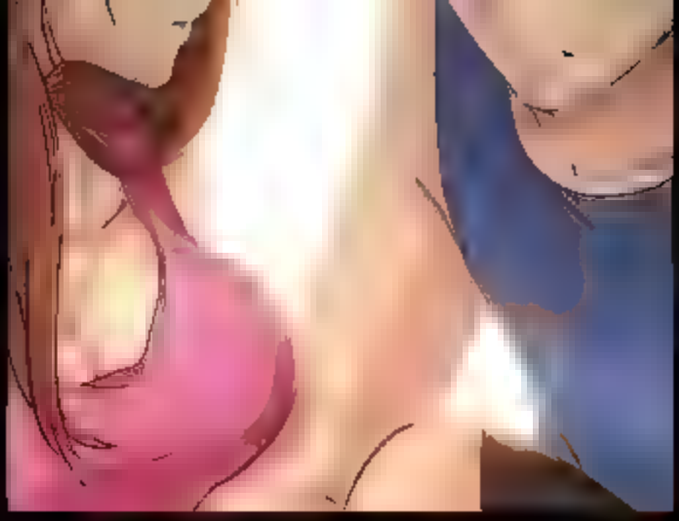


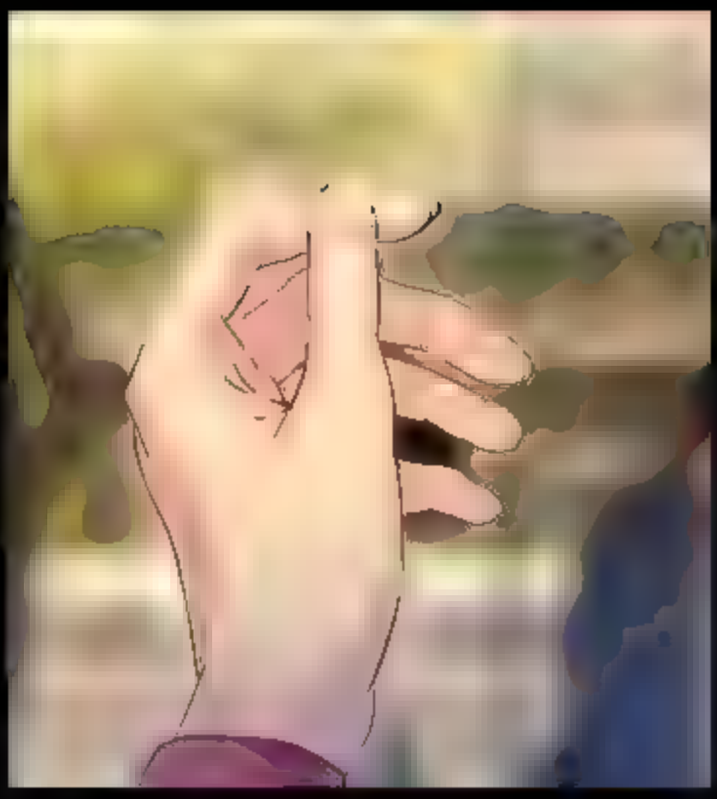


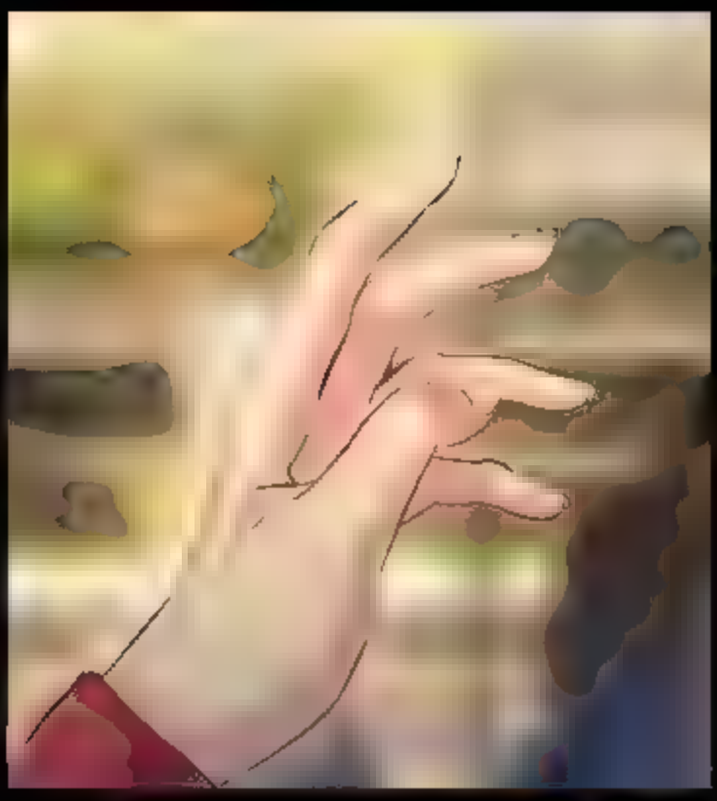


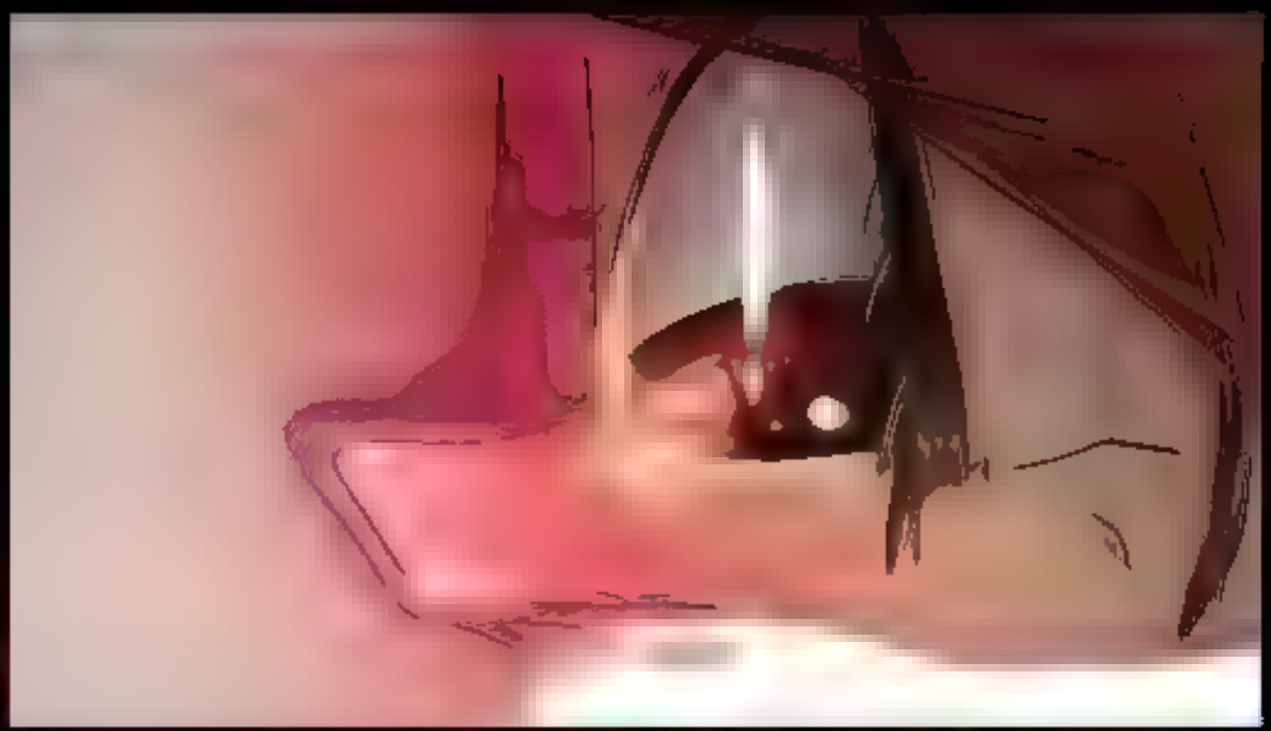


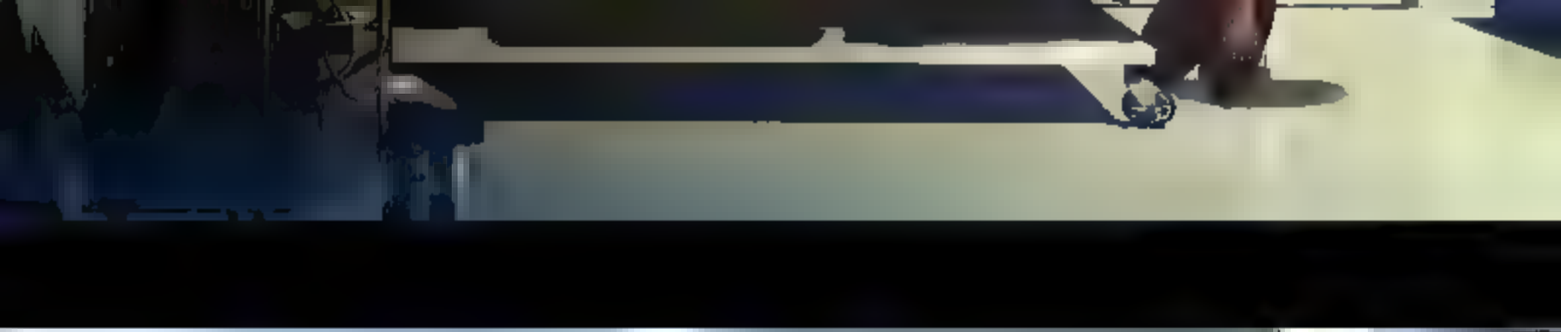
We need to have it checked.
Is there any hospital
nearby?

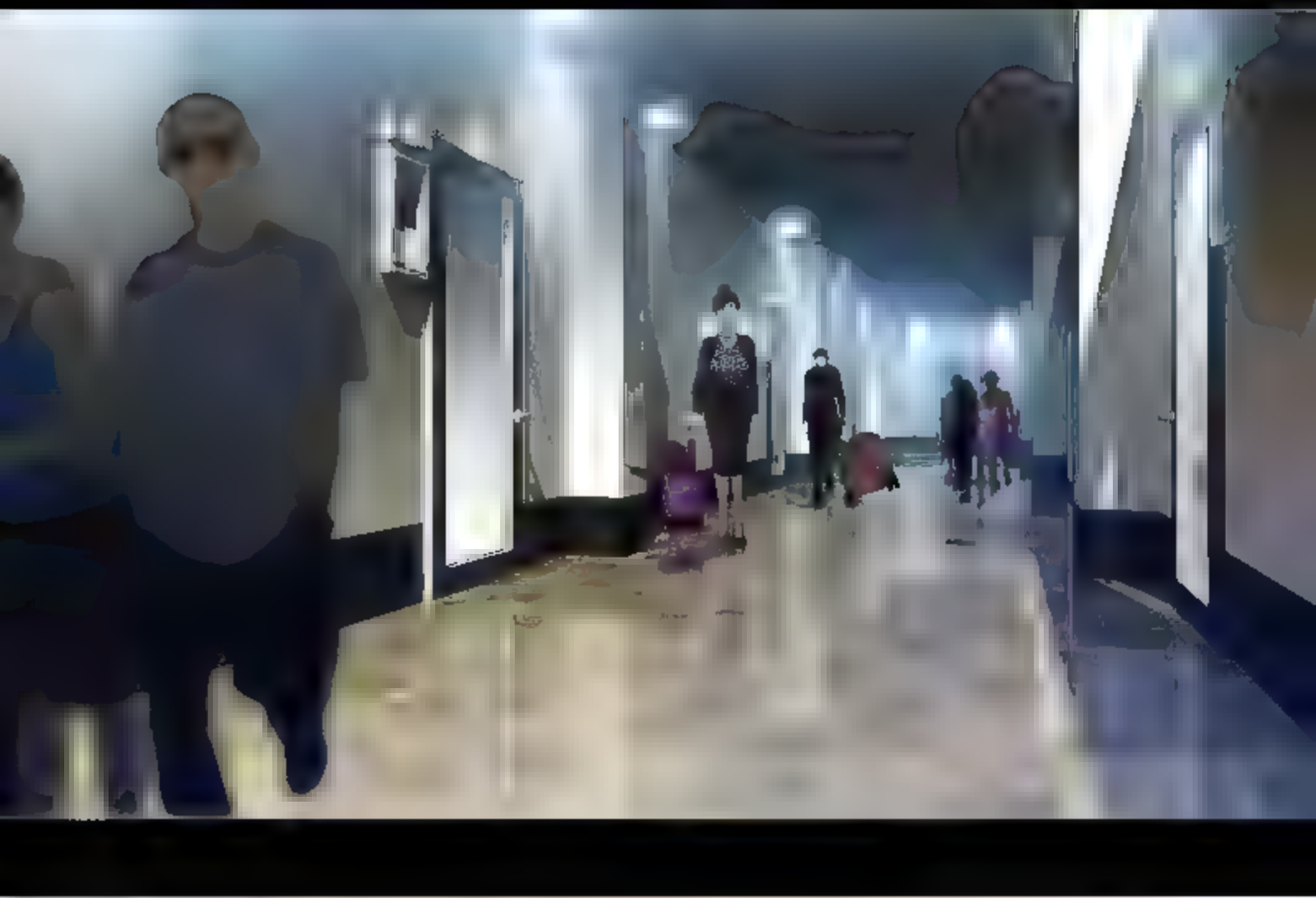


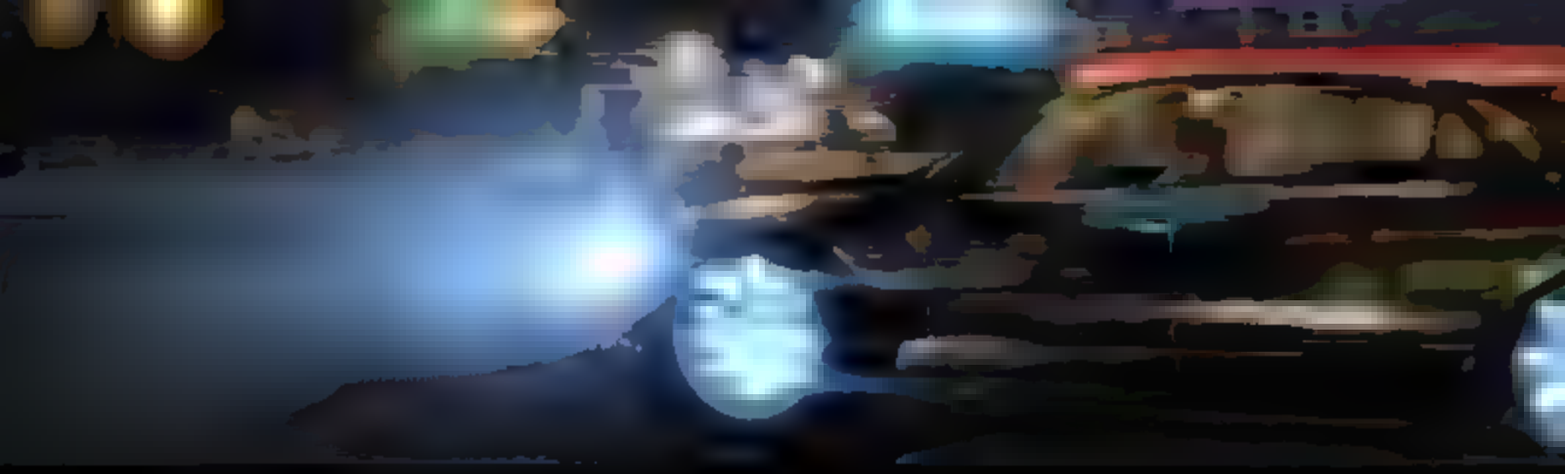


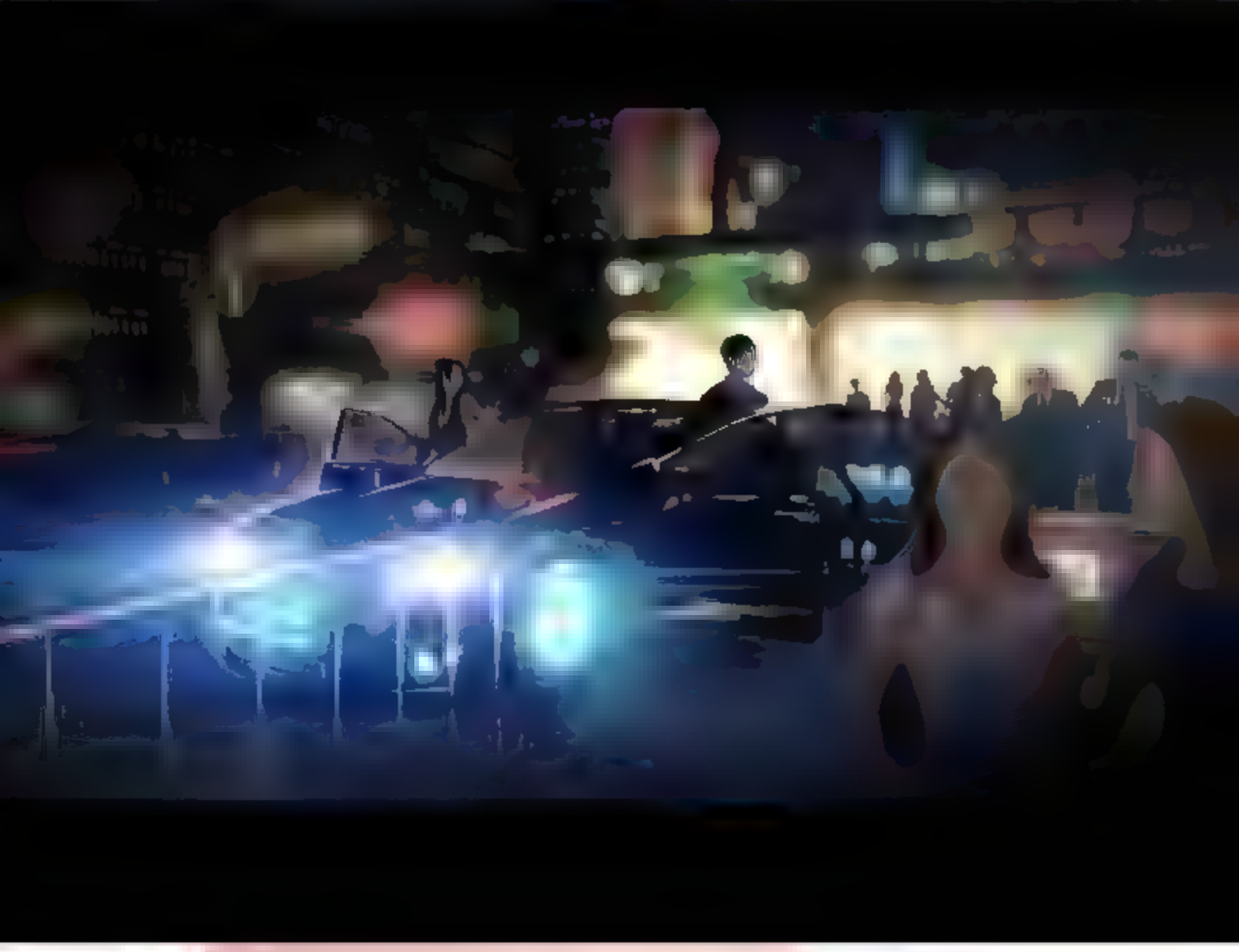


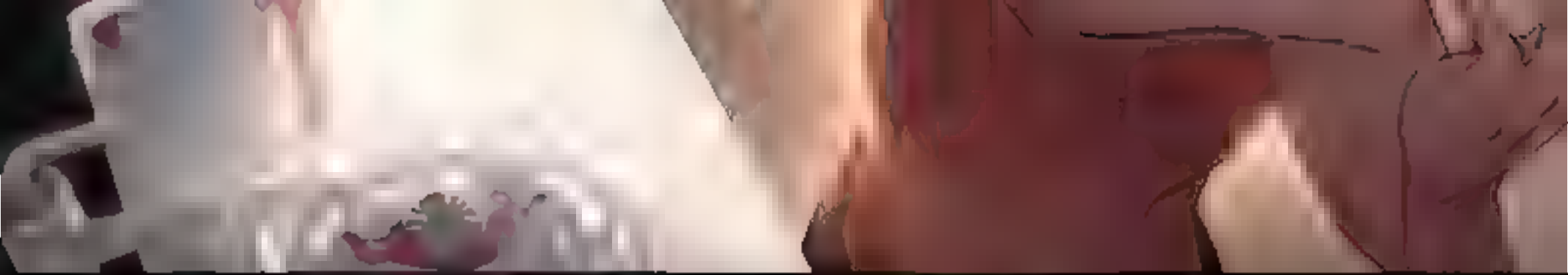




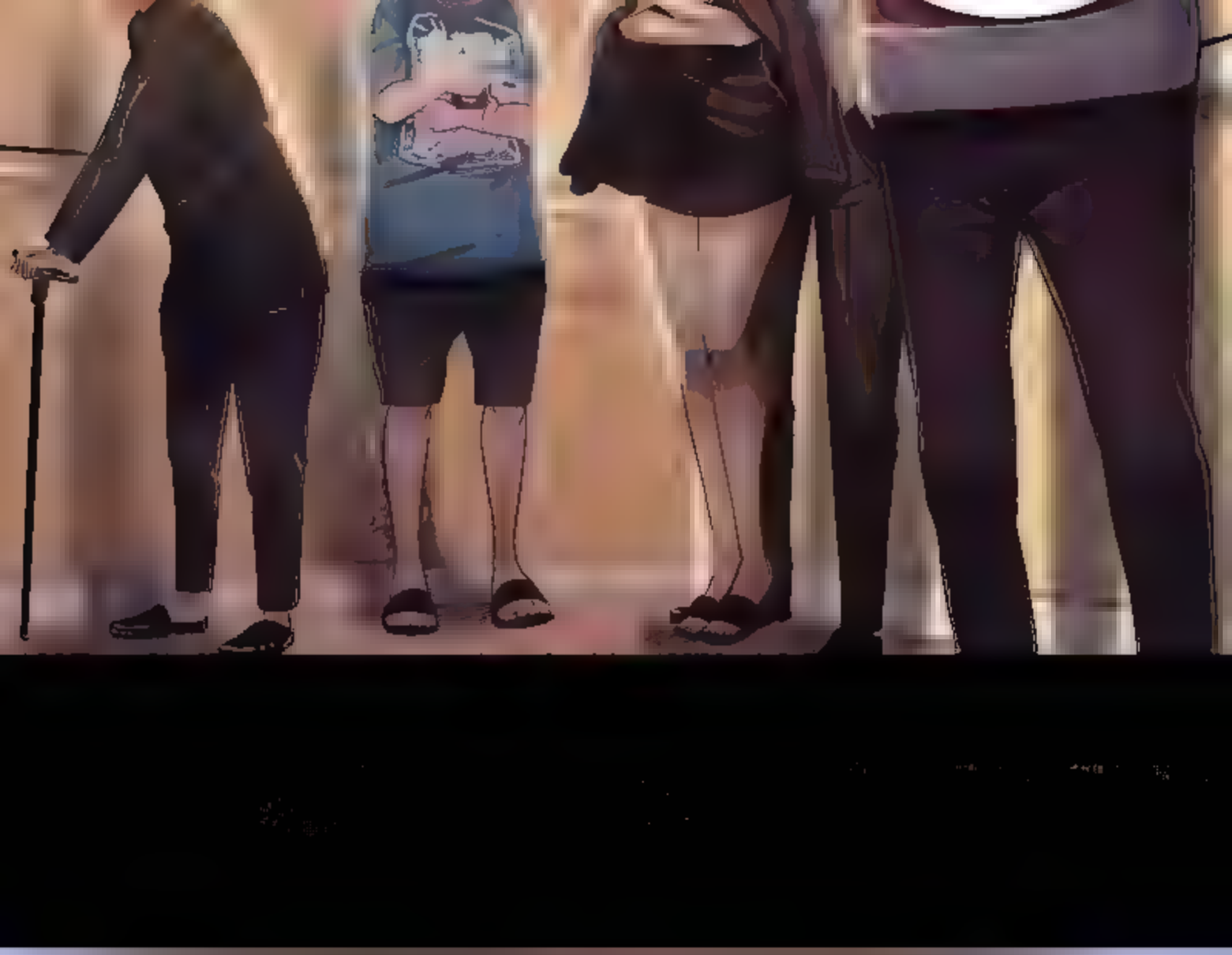


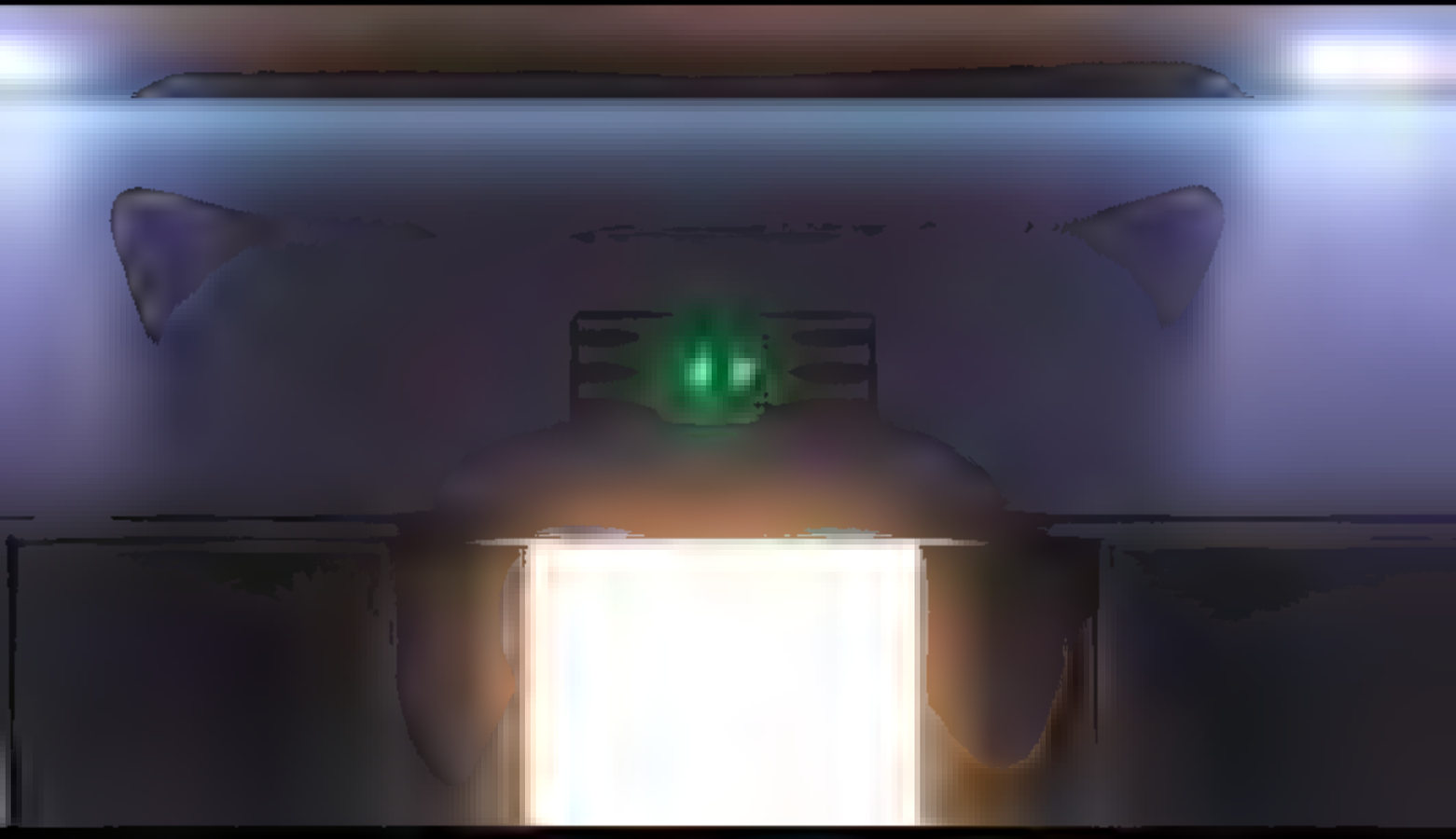






Sumire,
I want to speak with
Axel Koizumi first.
In private.
You have
five minutes.





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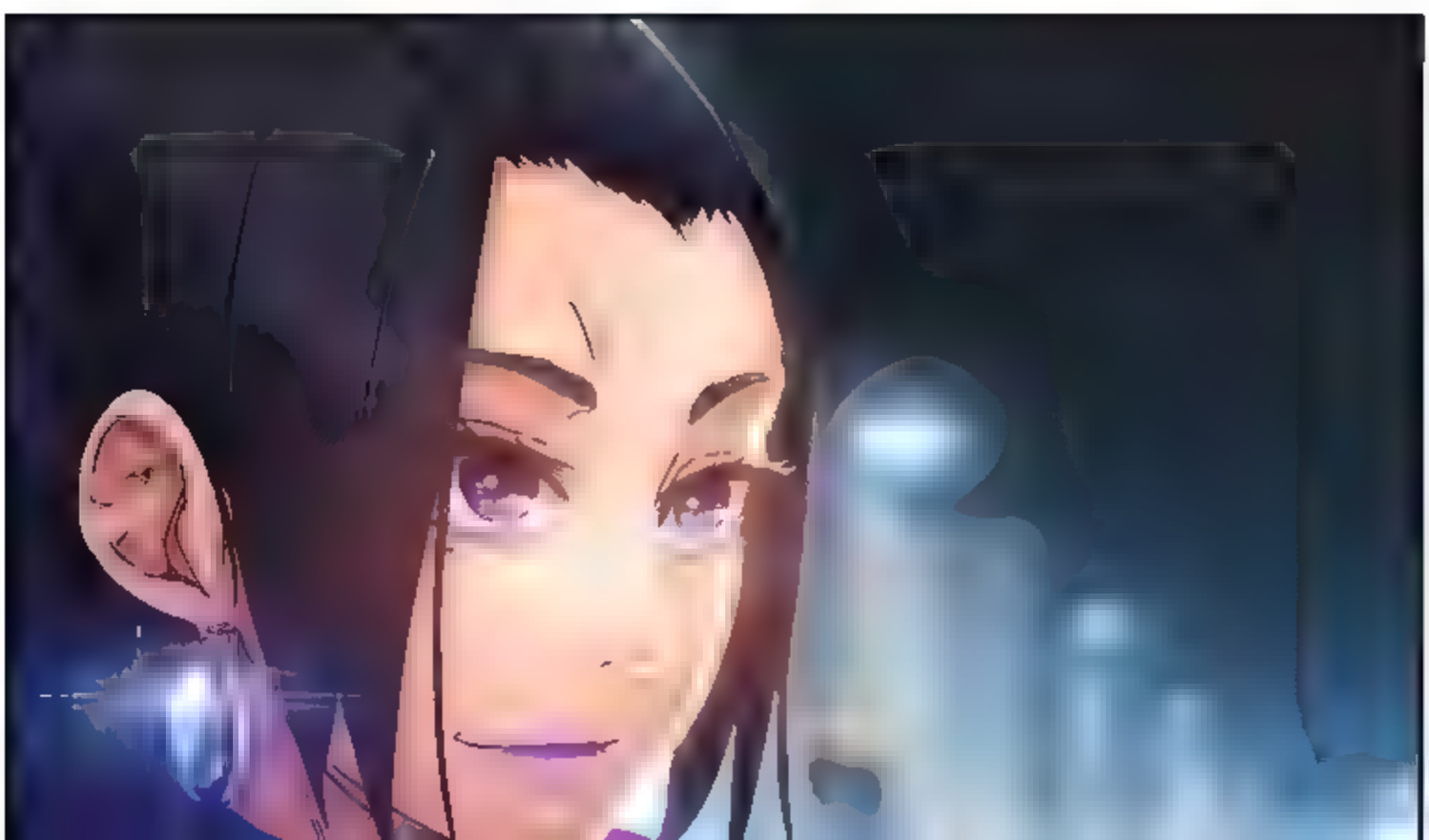

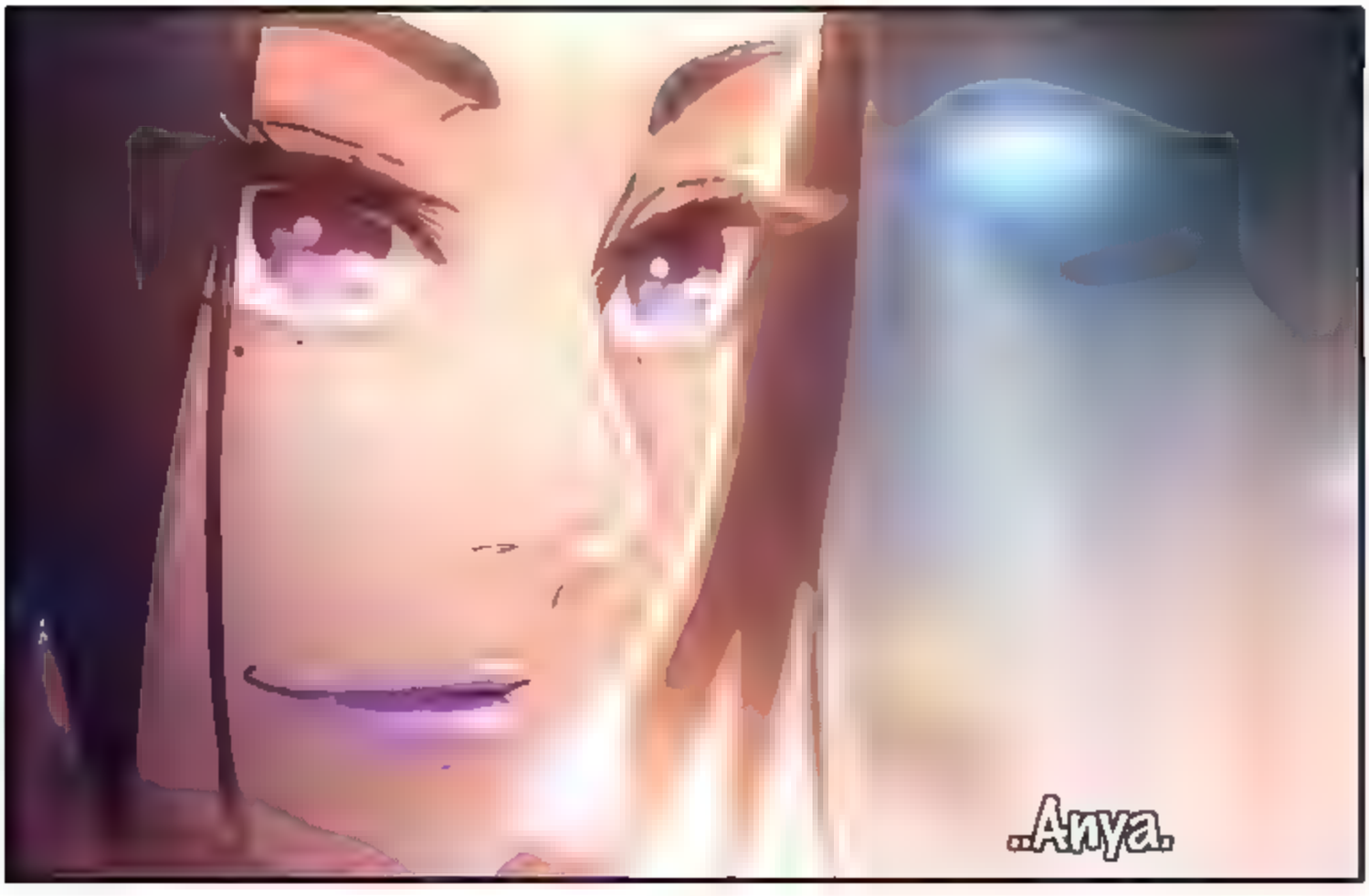

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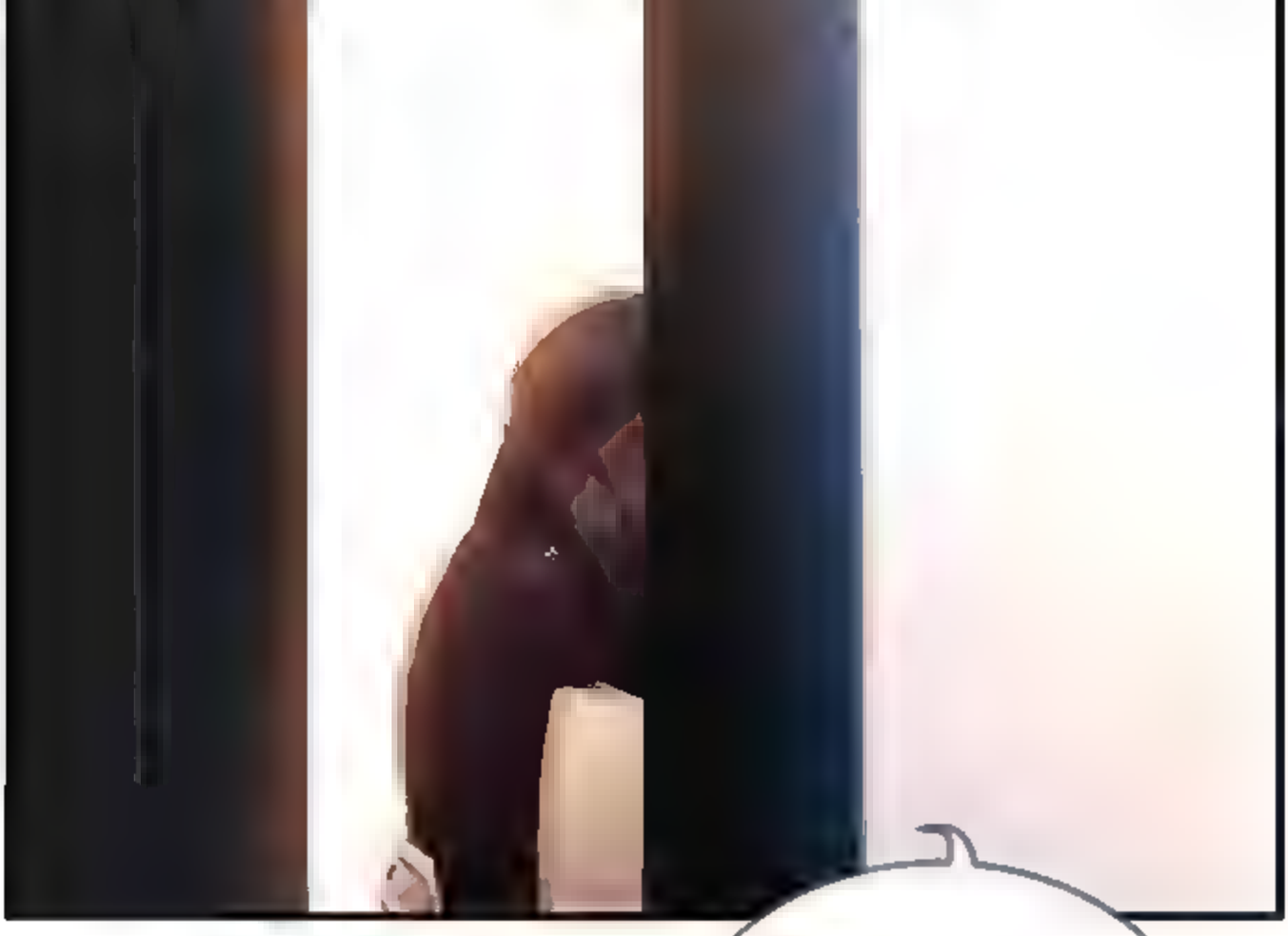

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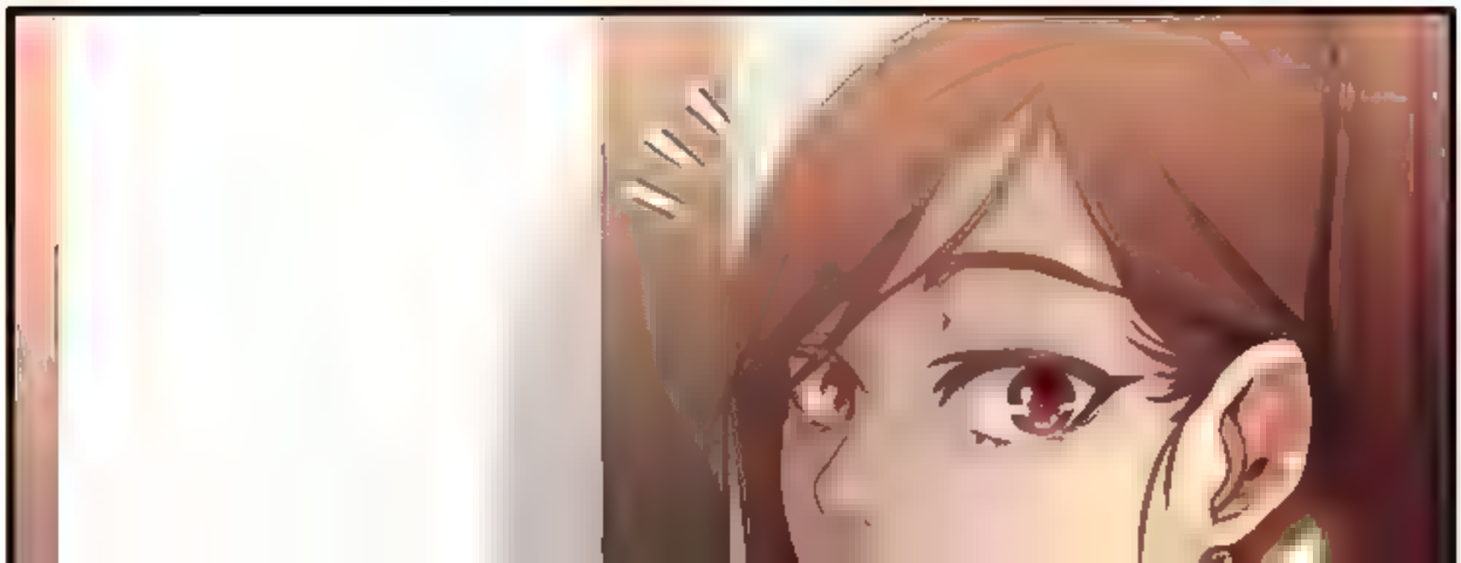

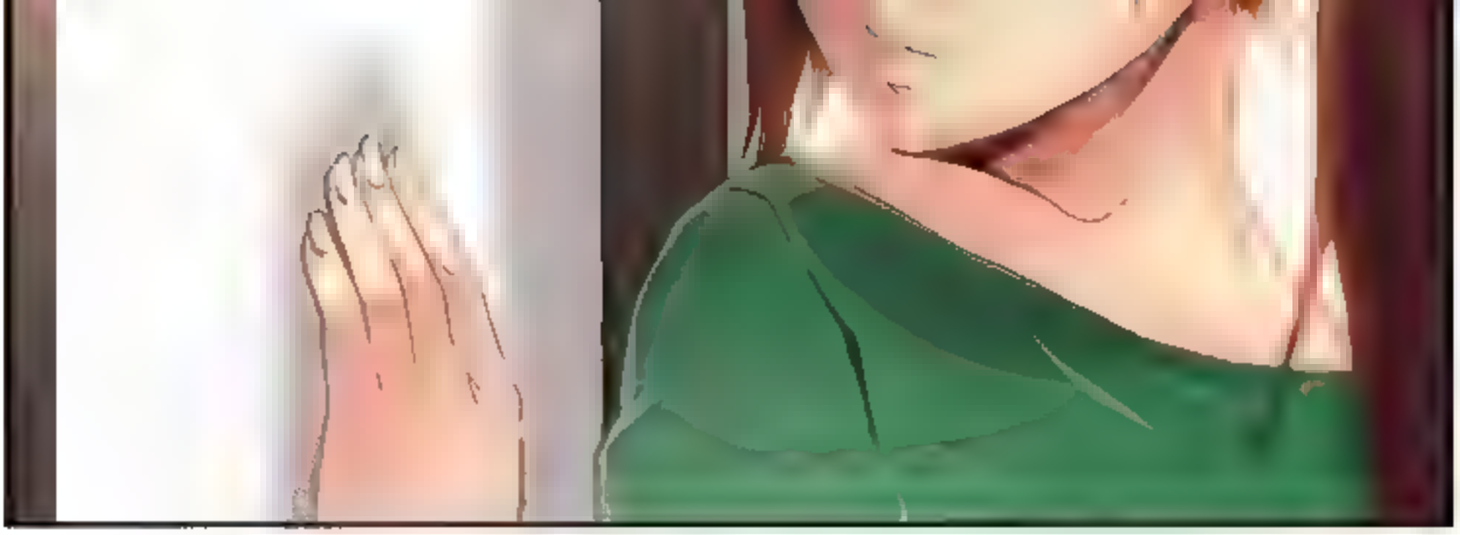

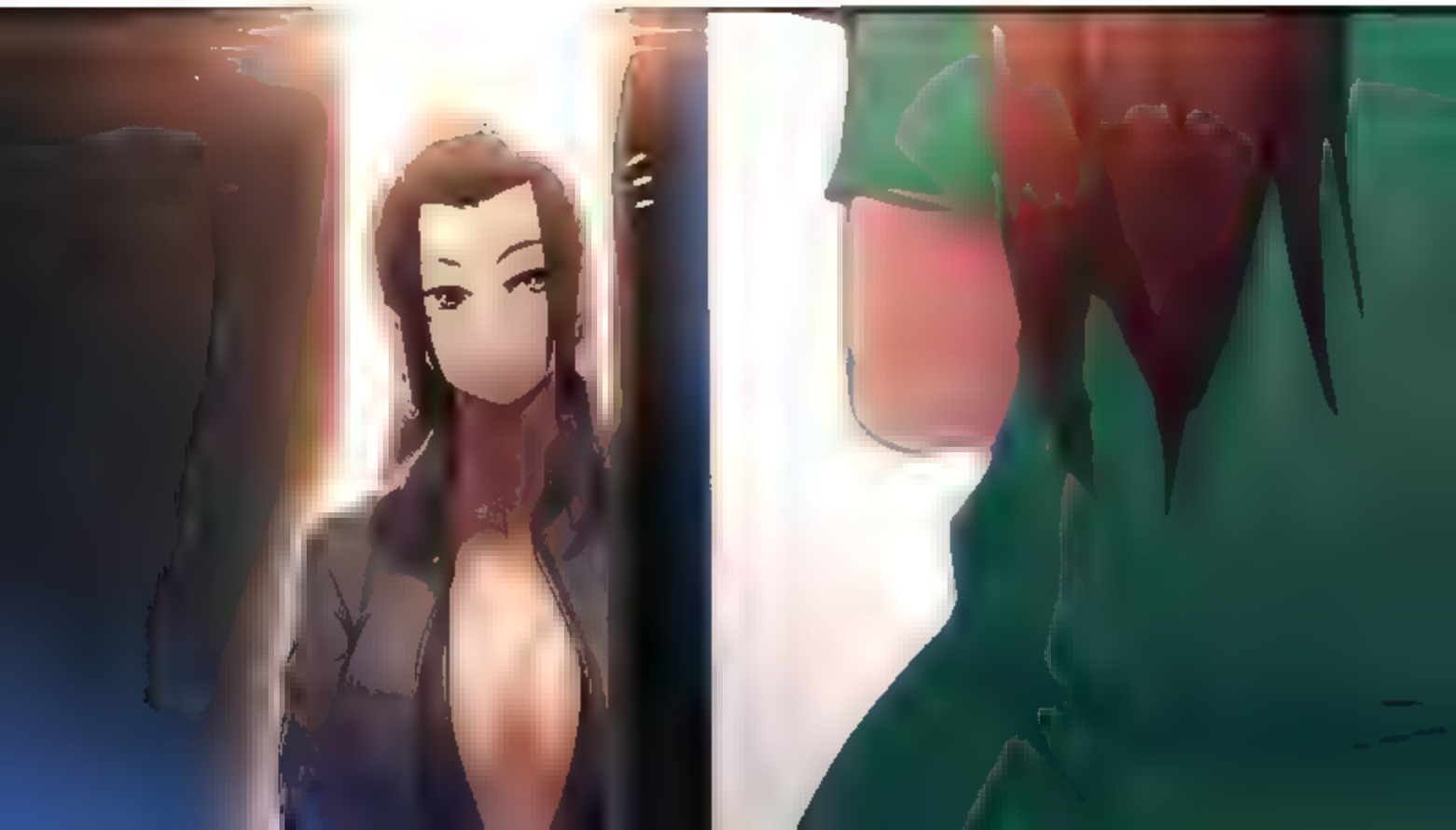

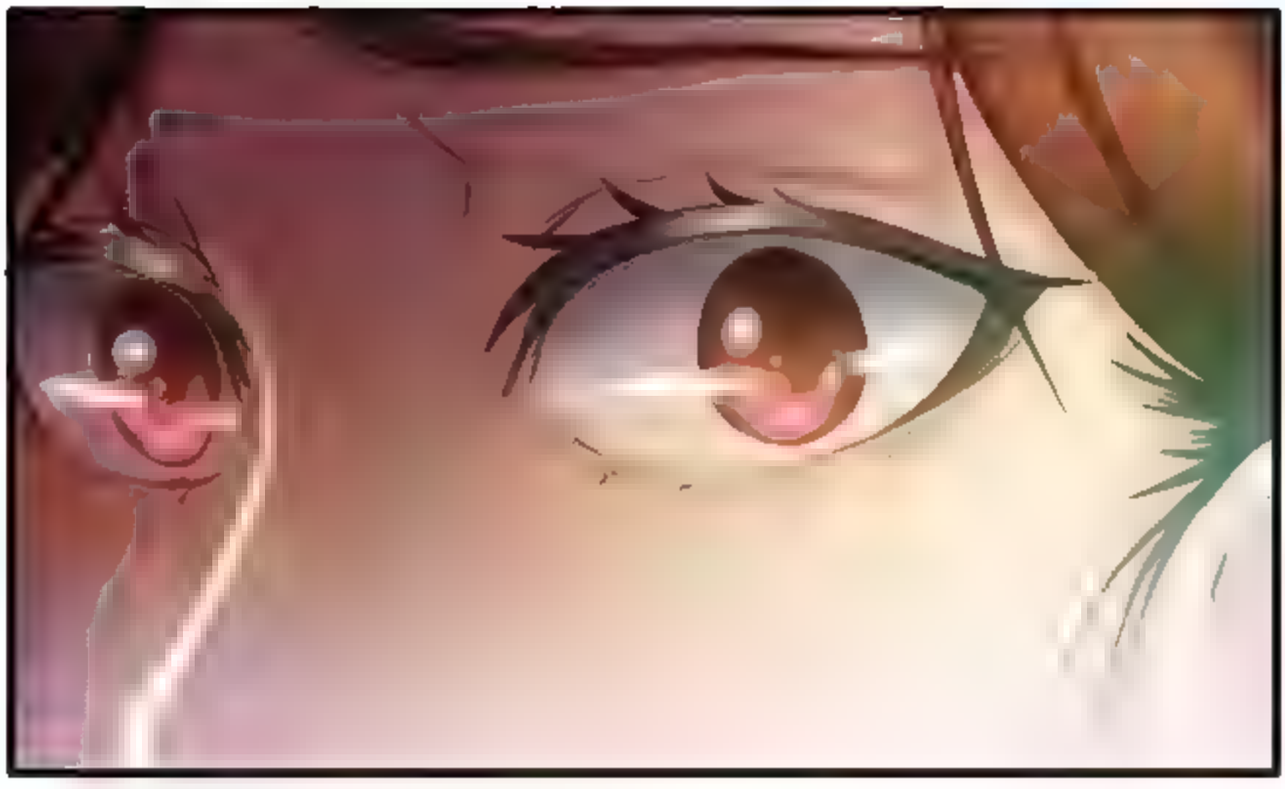

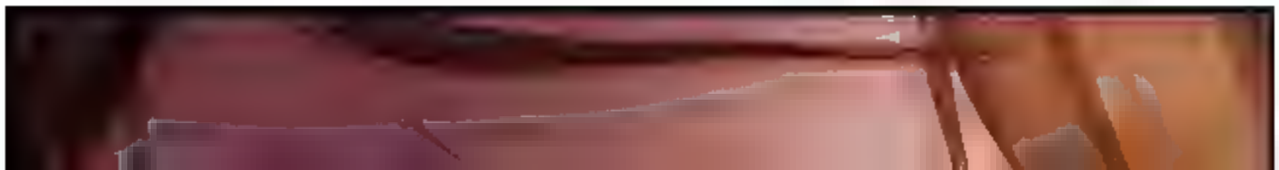

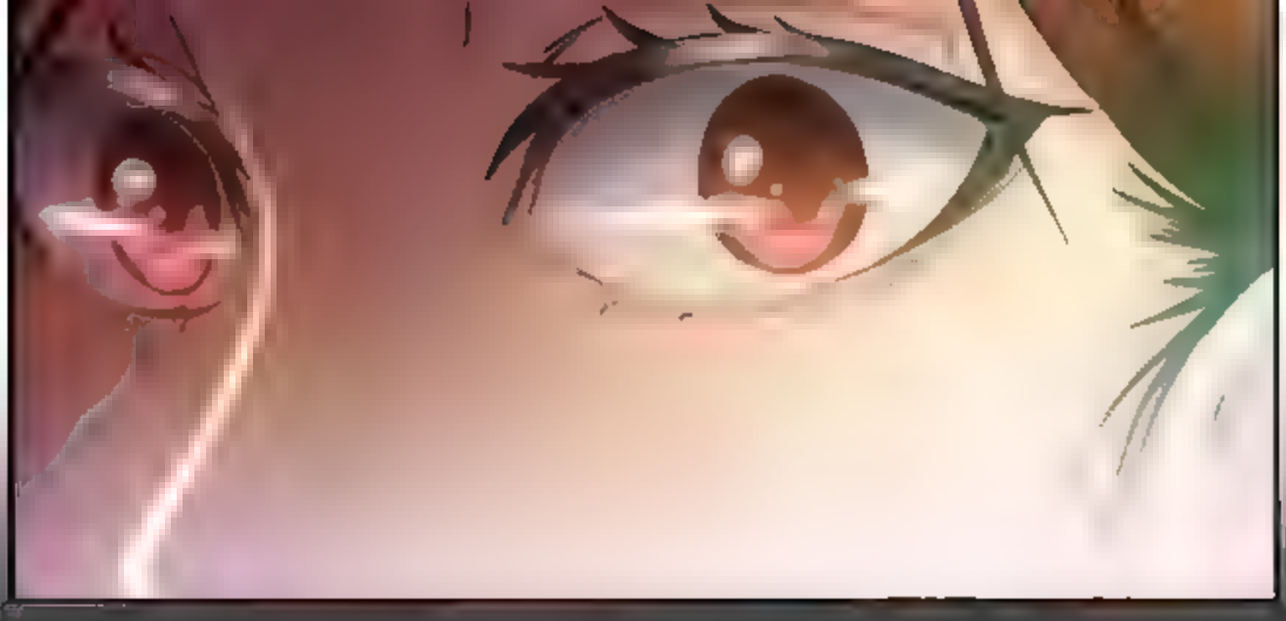

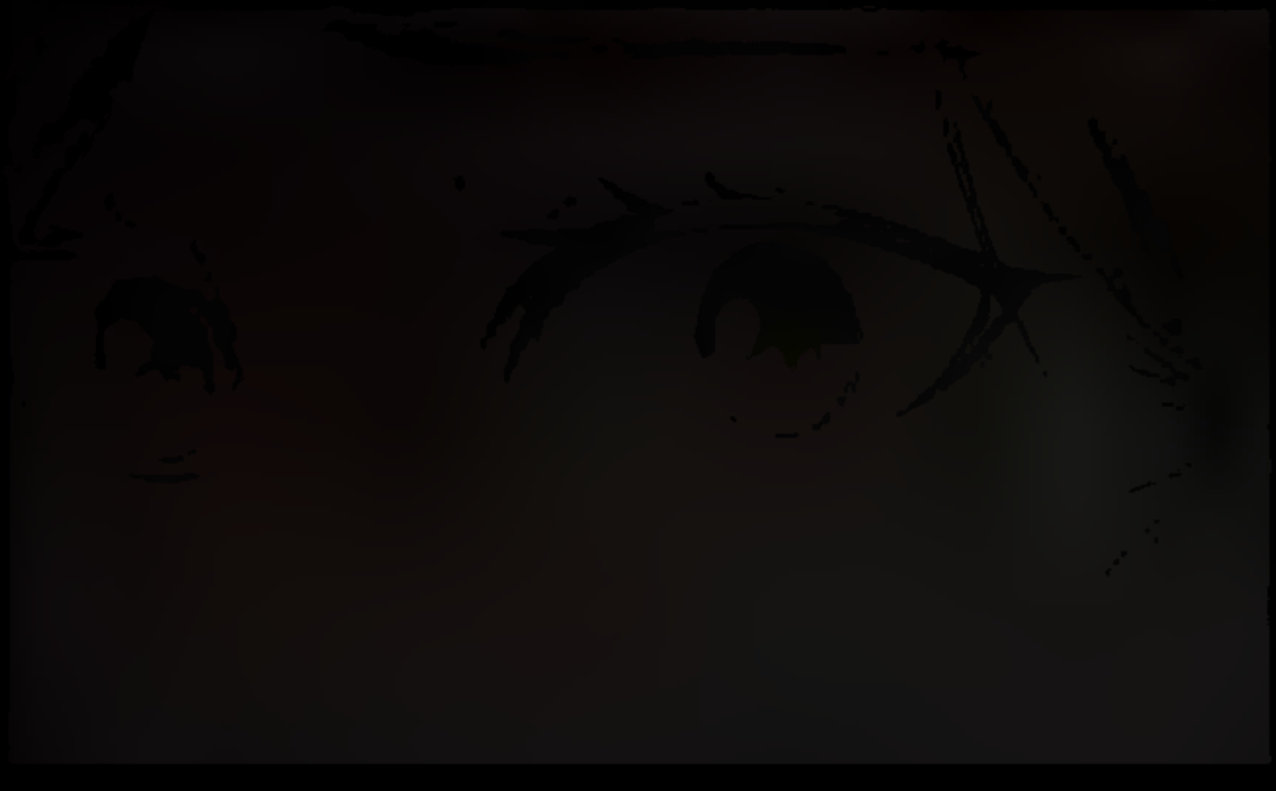

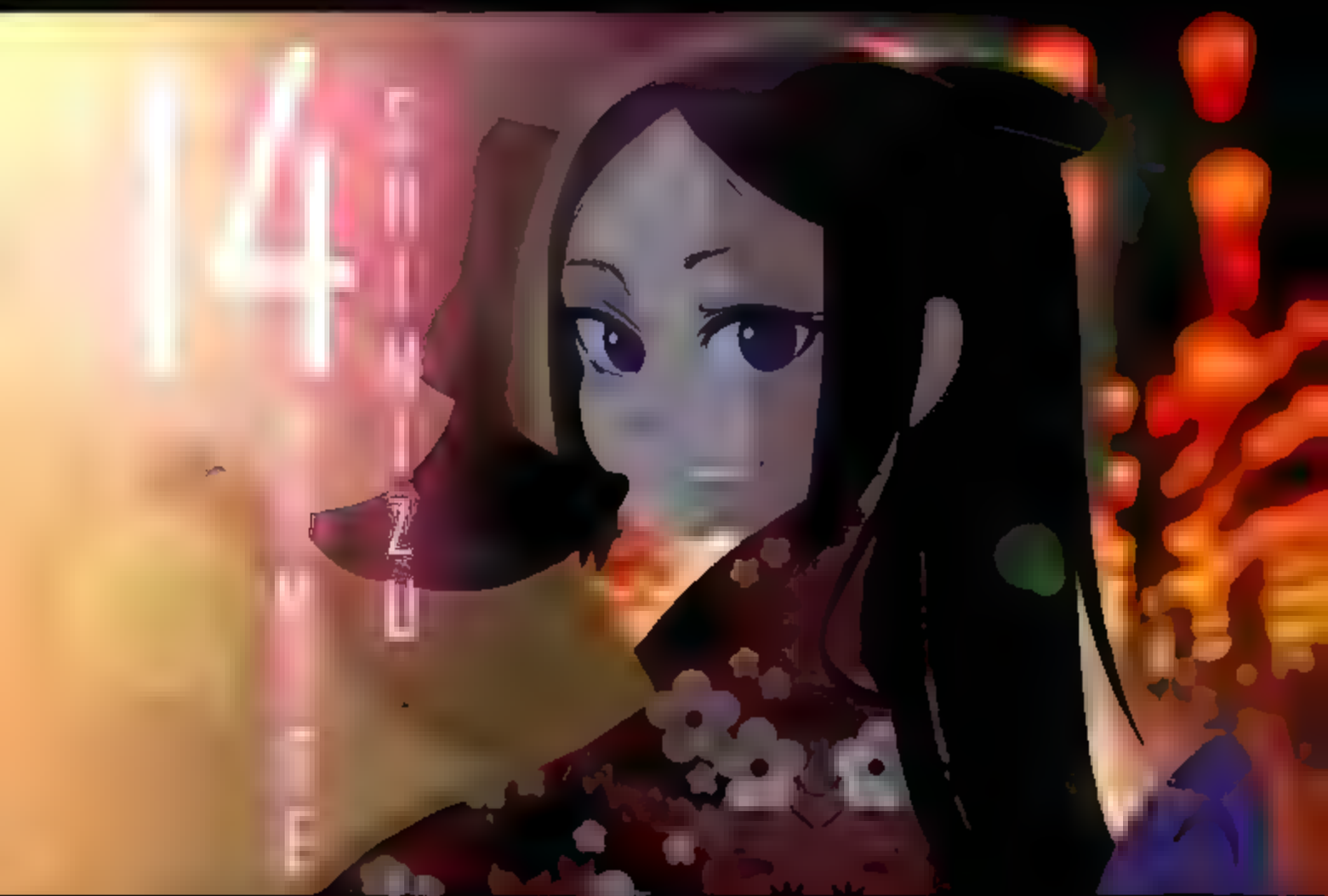
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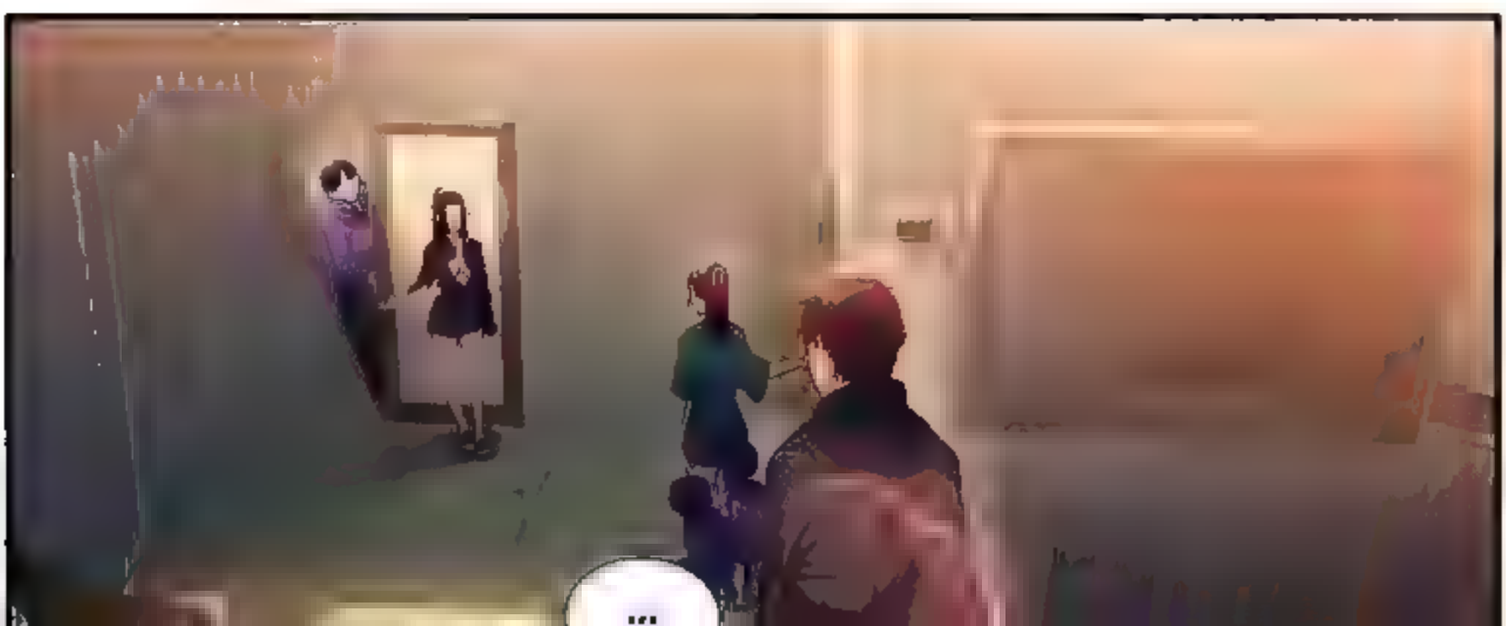
Anya..
Is this yours?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Aki!!?

Uncle Bunny!
You came

Why ofcourse, darling! You are my baby after all!
Father!?
S-Sumire!?

Good Evening.
Where's your boyfriend?
Uncle Bunny! He is not my boyfriend!
Mmmmm- Really?
Good Evening.

Sumire,
When did you
come back?
I did not know
you were coming.
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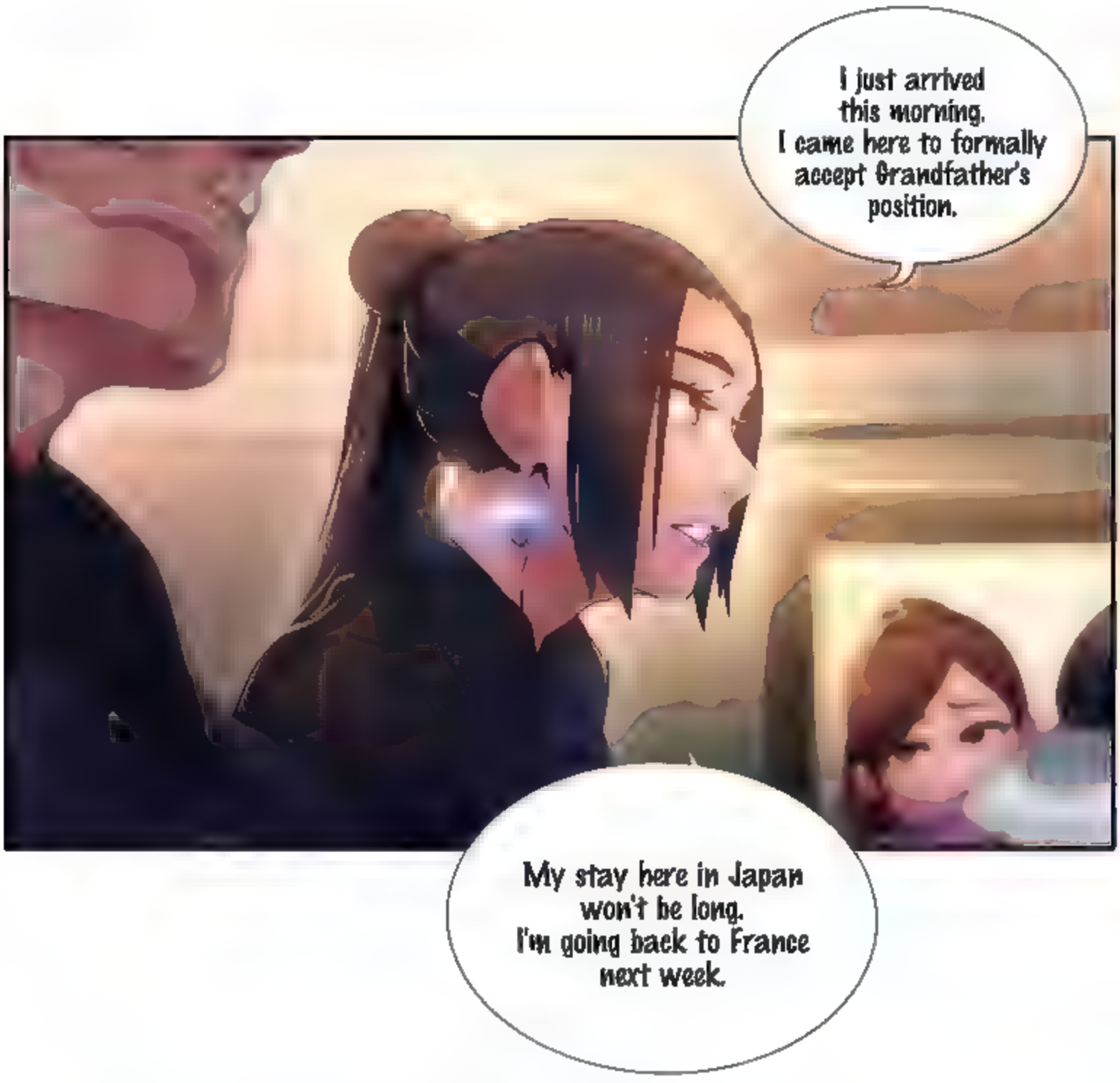
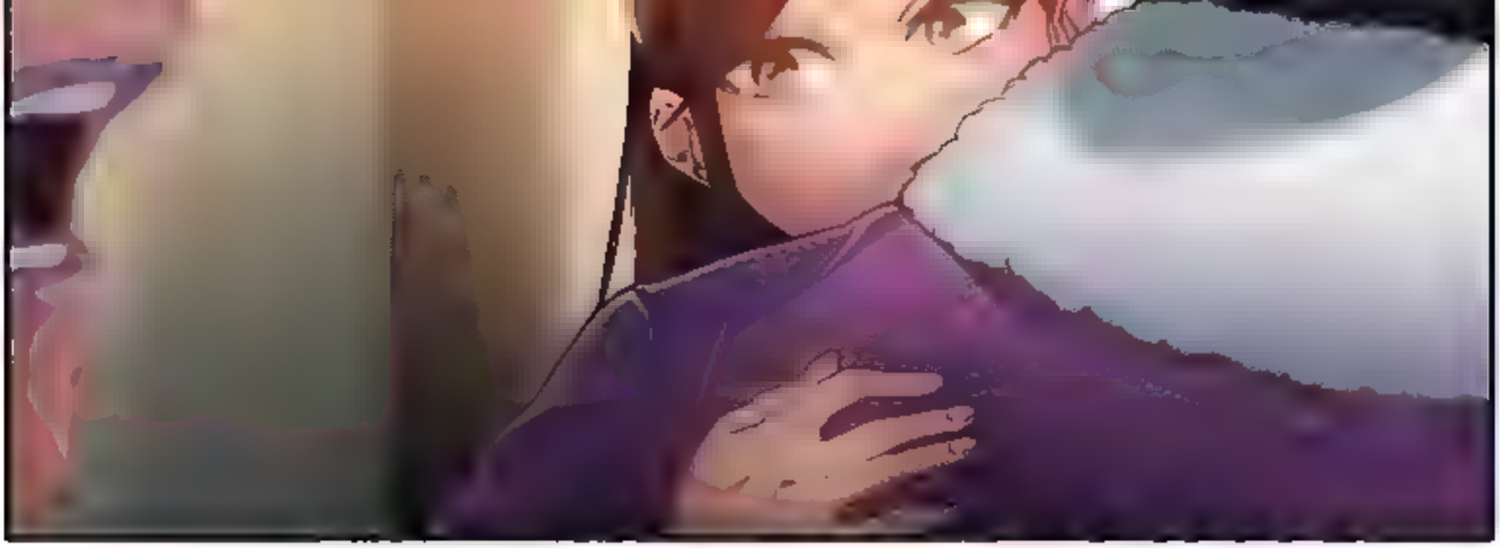
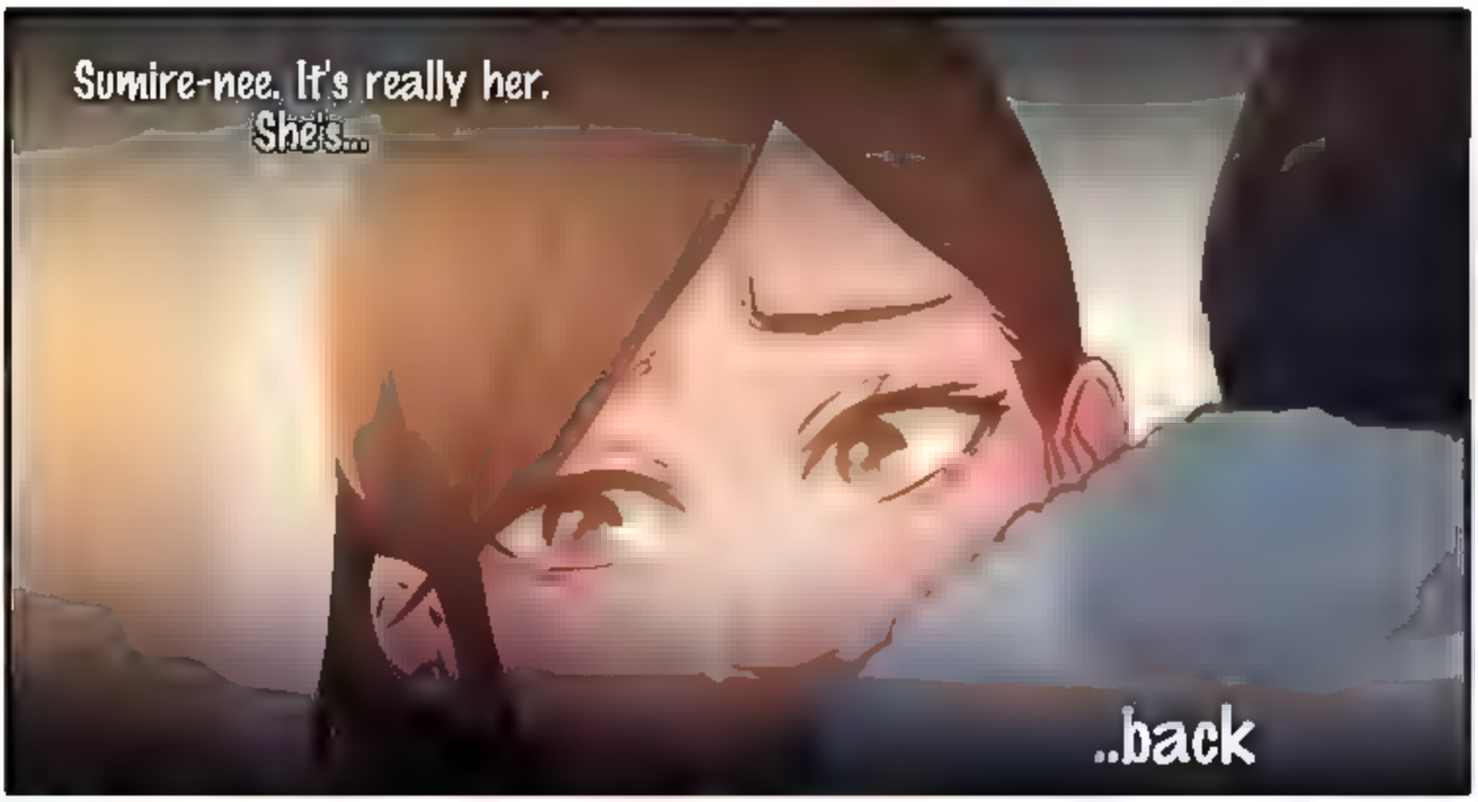

I just arrived this morning. I came here to formally accept Grandfather's position.
My stay here in Japan won't be long. I'm going back to France next week.





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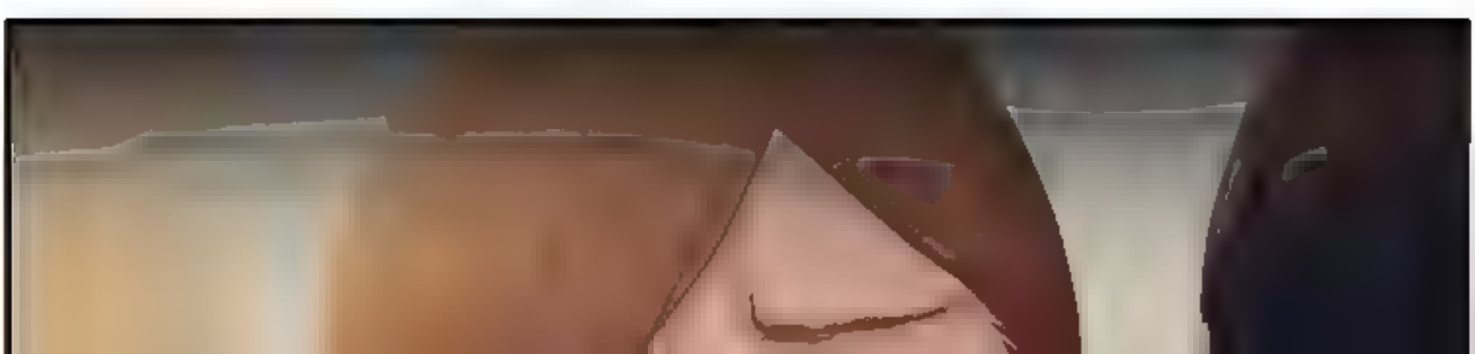
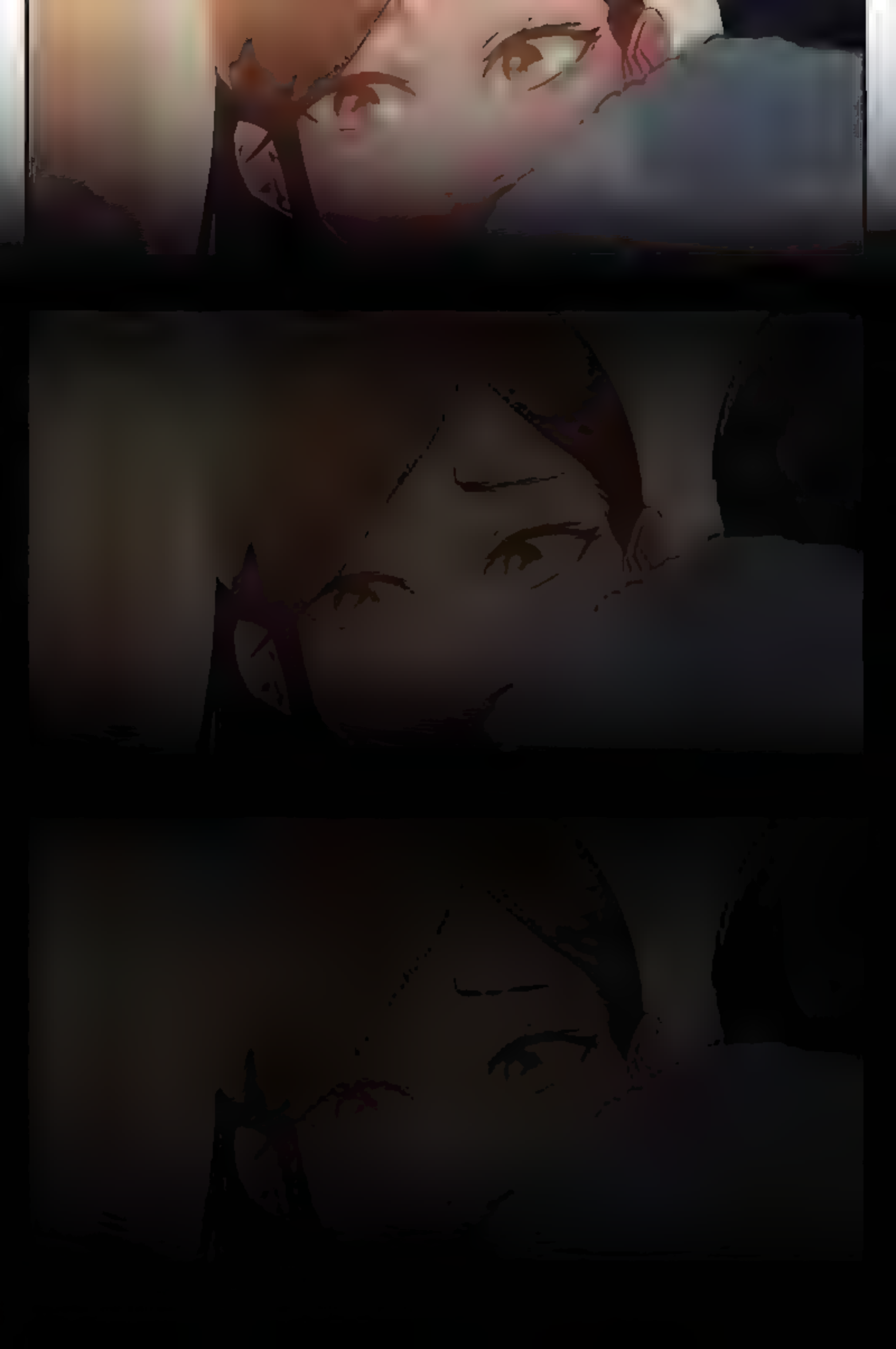
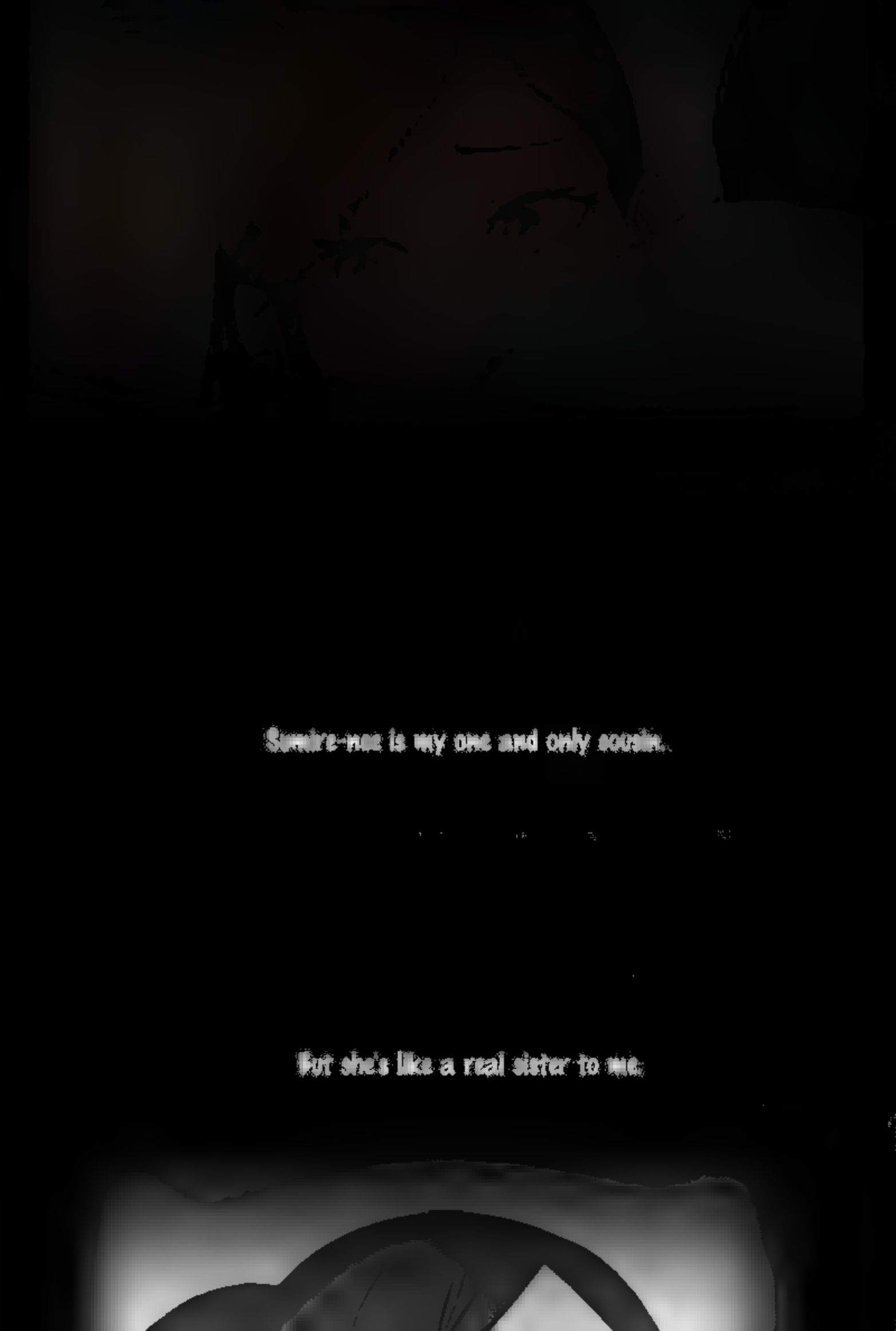




Sumire-nee is my one and only cousin.

But she's like a real sister to me.

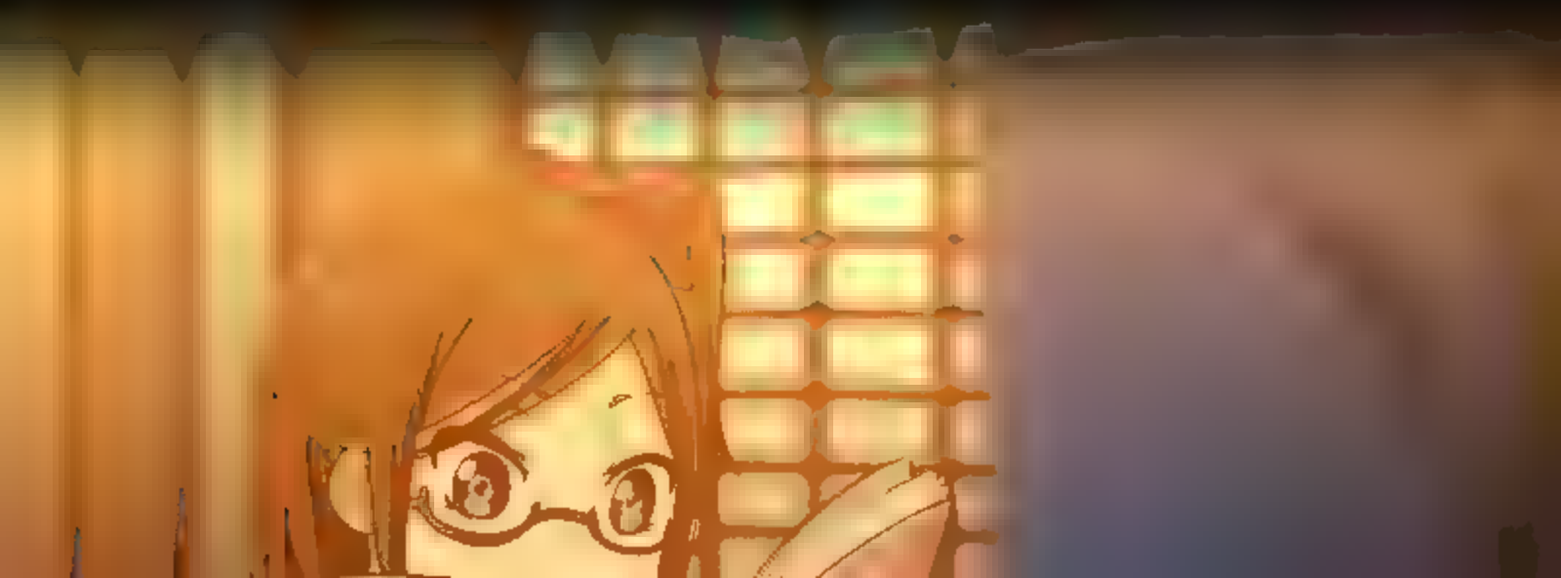


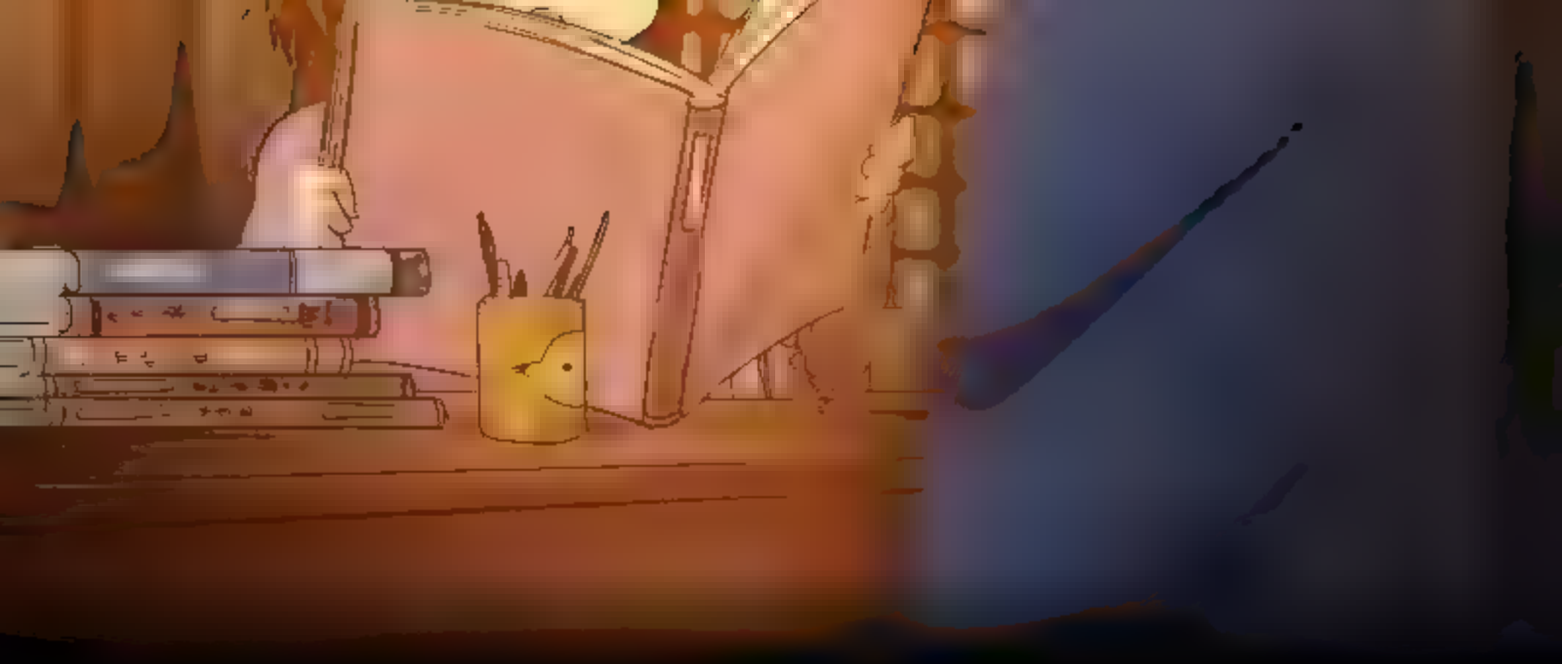
Amongst the Shimizu Family, Sumire-nee is the smartest,
maybe five times smarter than me.
Yes, she is a Genius Child. Truly gifted and I envy her for that.

I can see why my Grandfather, Zenjirou, chose her to become his successor.

Me on the other hand,
spent the whole childhood catching up to Sumire-nee's unparalleled intelligence.

Mom used her to motivate me, of course to divert my attention from Tennis as well.





Unlike Sumire-nee, I was not born a Genius.
I was just a fast learner.

We had lots of similarities, in both beliefs and perspectives in life.
We got along like real sisters.

Back then, we were the best buds in town.

Anya Shimizu (7)

Sumire Shimizu (8)

Despite what people thought of us, she taught me how to break out of my shell and ignore critism.
She taught me lots of "crazy" things.

But that happiness did not last...

Our freedom was bound to strict rules.
As a part of the Shimizu tradition, we had to honor our parent's decisions.

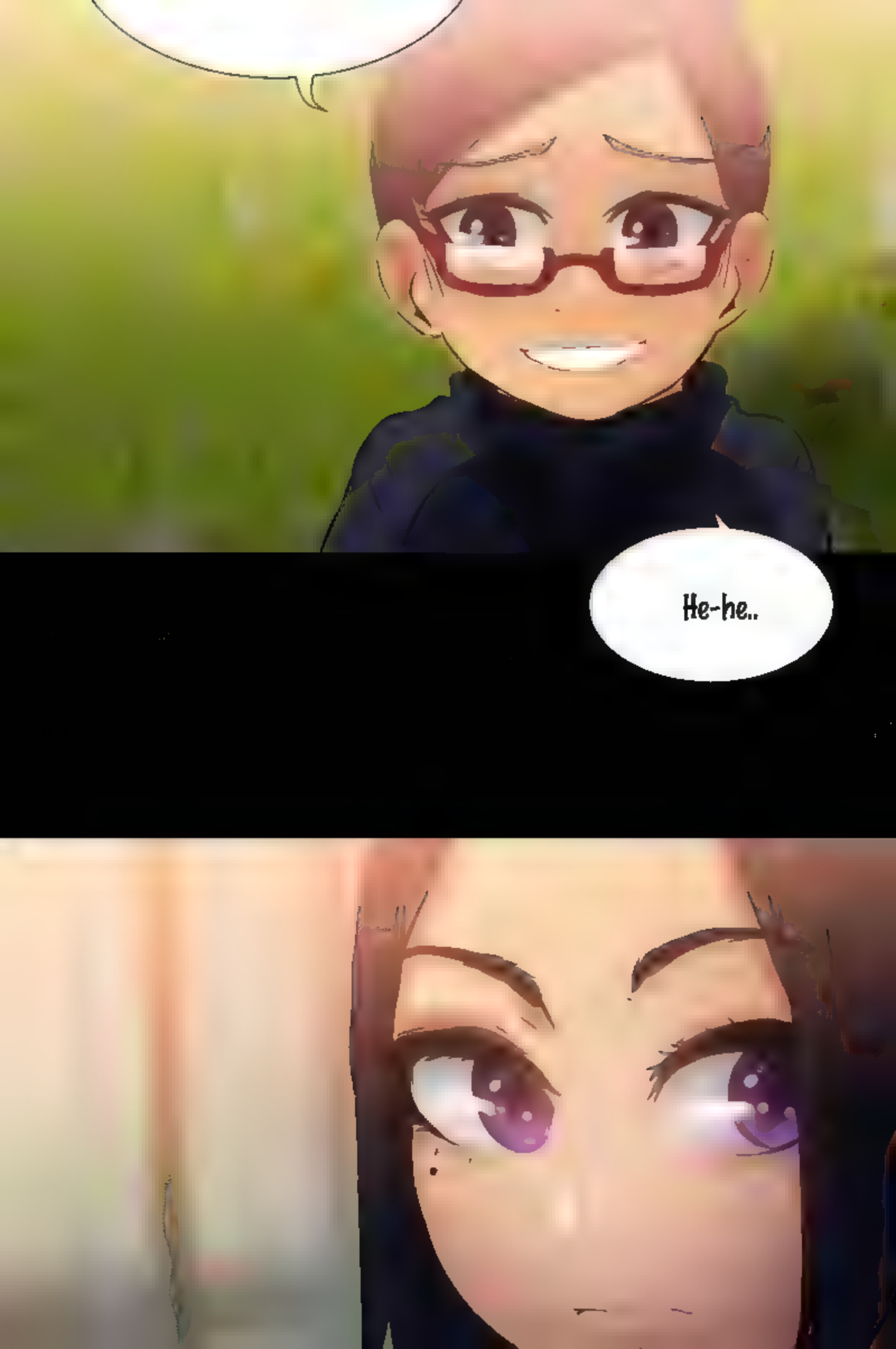
At the age of eight,
Sumire-nee got engaged.
A fixed marriage arranged
by her parents.
She had to leave Japan
and learn the French culture.

Few days before her flight,
Sumire-nee suddenly changed and
acted strangely..

She's like a different person..

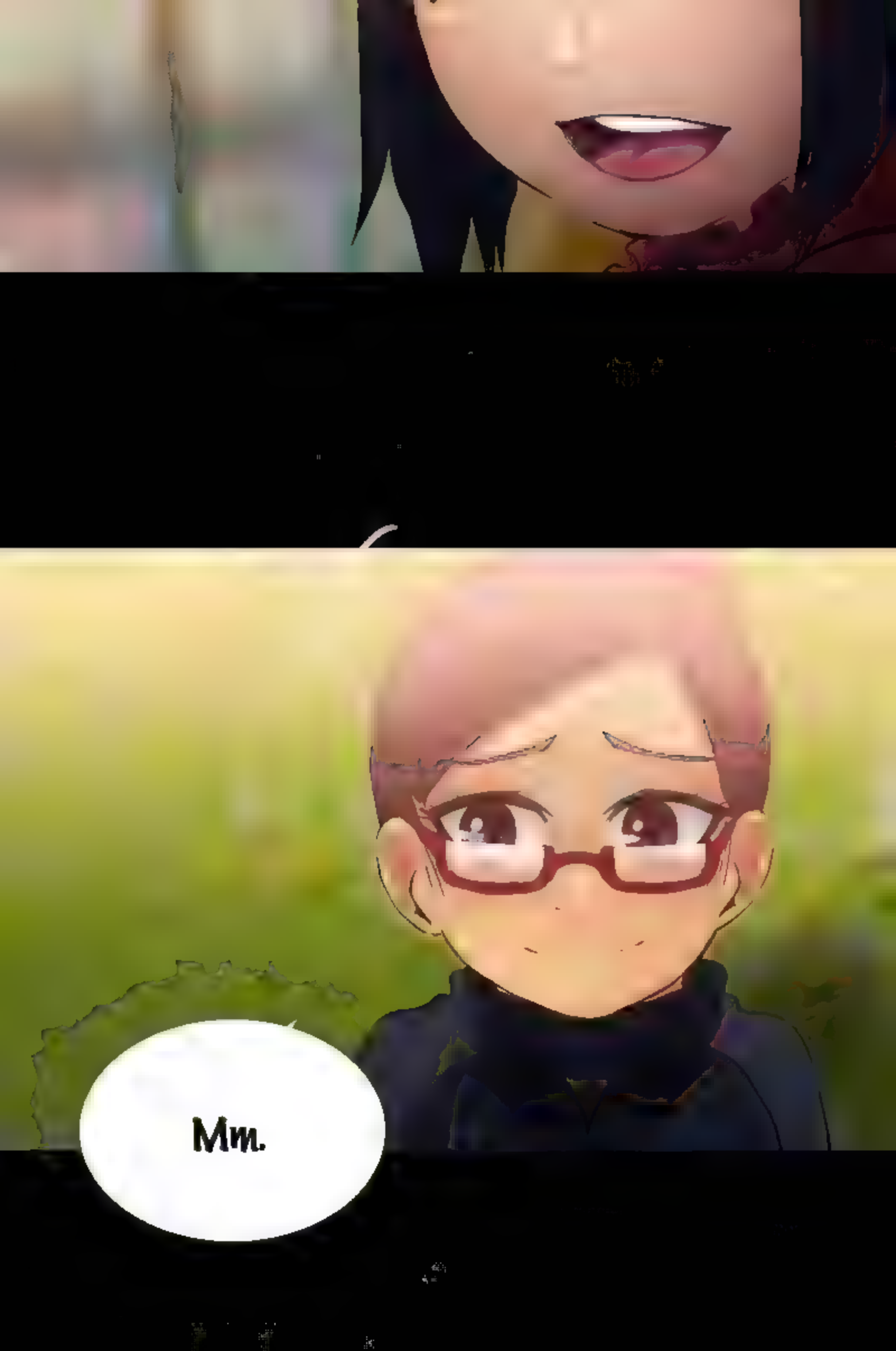
..she was stalking a boy.
Sumire-nee..
Do you like him?

J-just asking.

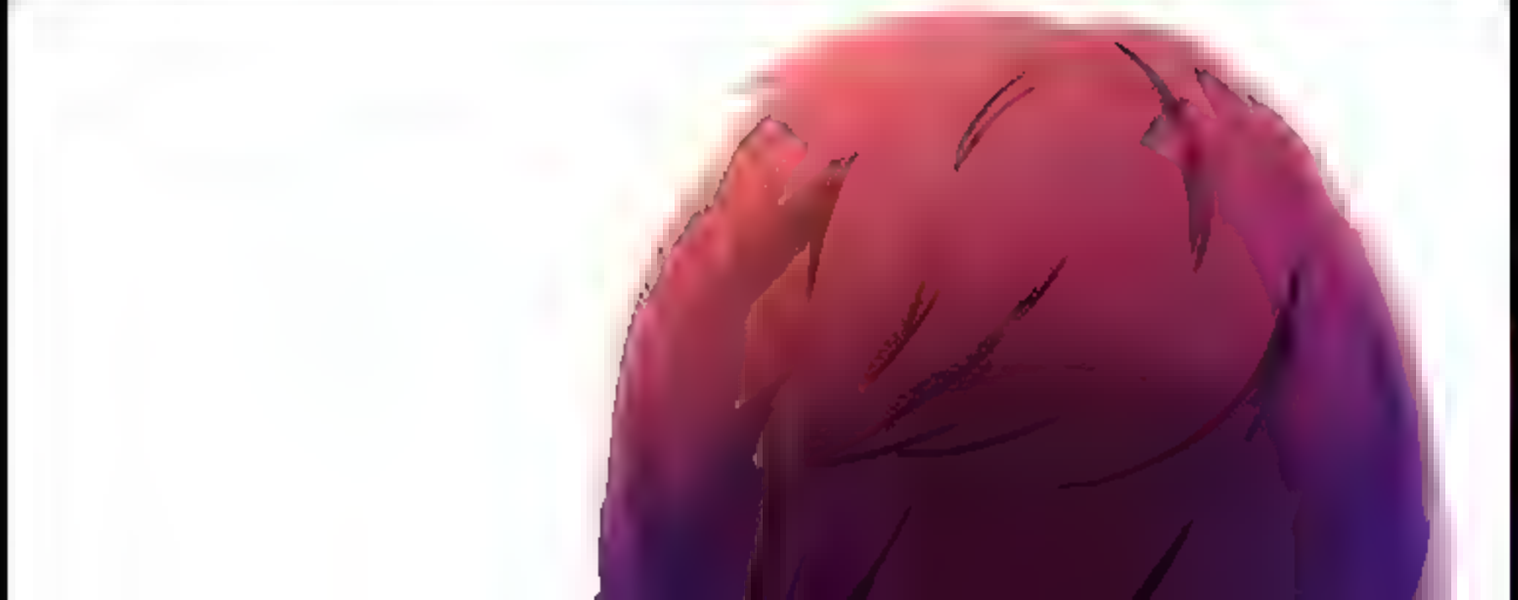

He-he..

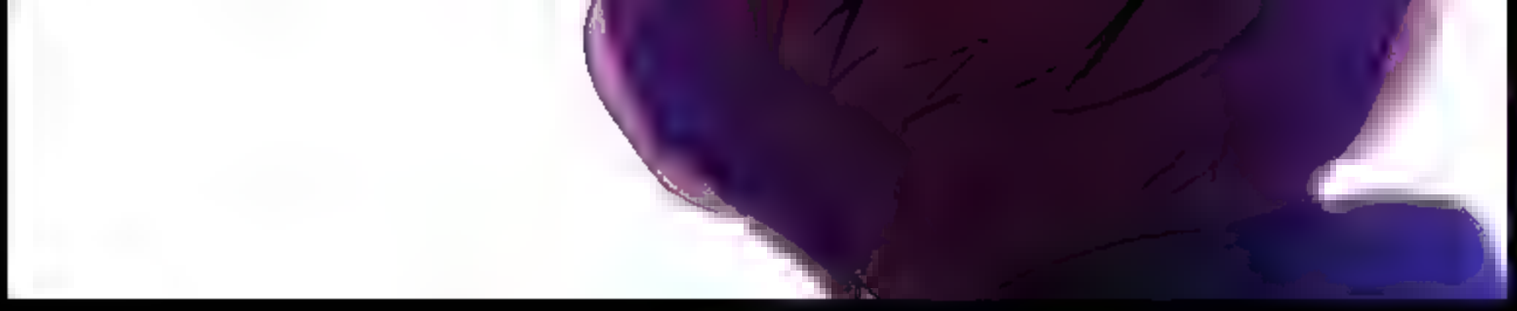
Anya..
No matter what
happens,
I will protect you.
Okay?

H-huh?
Where did that come from??
Everything's going to be fine! Just trust me, Okay?


Mm.

I will fix this mess for you,
Anya.





"I will make sure."

"..you'll never meet him!"

ITHANIEL

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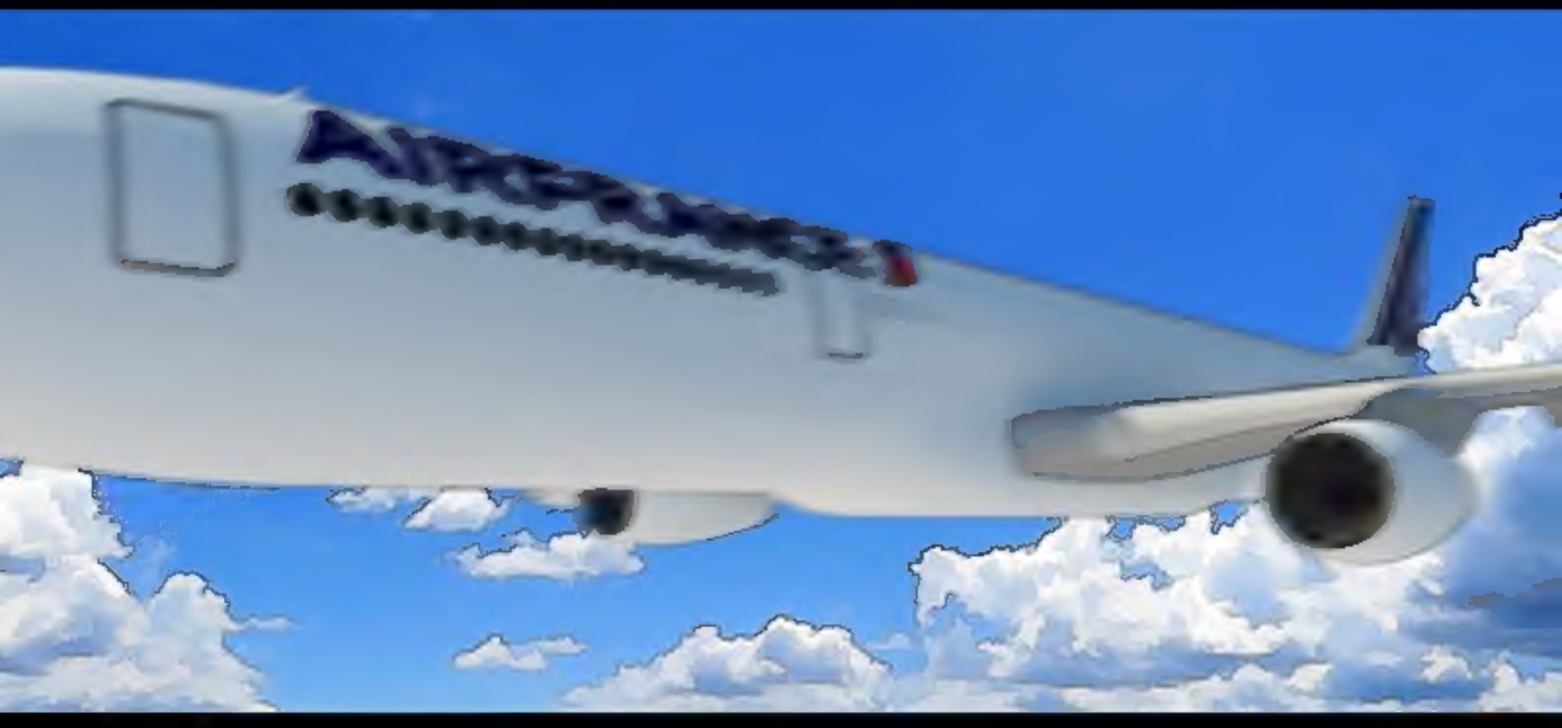

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